



Rep. Martin Heinrich (NM-01)

United States Representative Martin Heinrich (NM-01) is a fighter for New Mexico's working class families and a champion for his state's burgeoning clean energy economy. In the initial weeks following his election, Martin was elected both Class President of the 111th Congress' thirty-two member Freshman Class and also Regional Whip for New Mexico, Arizona and Texas – both pivotal roles in which he has helped shepherd through key measures important to New Mexico's First Congressional District and the country. Those bills include: a) the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act which will create 7,700 jobs in the Albuquerque metro area and give working families the biggest tax break in history, b) the State Children's Health Insurance Program expansion to cover 11 million children nationwide, and c) the Lily Ledbetter bill to confront historic pay discrimination against women.

Martin has also co-sponsored various successful legislative measures including a significant increase of renewable energy in the country's energy portfolio, a bill that made the Child Tax Credit refund available to working class families for the next five years, a resolution that ended the 2010 \$4,700 automatic pay hike for members of Congress in lieu of the economic downturn, a bill to reform financing of Congressional elections, and several bills in support of New Mexico's veterans and their families. As an appointee to the House Armed Services Committee, Martin has an important role in decisions affecting Kirtland Air Force Base and Sandia National Laboratory, both of which are located in New Mexico's First Congressional District. On the Natural Resources Committee, Martin plays an important role in managing public lands and developing the country's energy resources, both prominent assets to his home state of New Mexico.

Prior to being elected to Congress, Martin served four years as an Albuquerque City Councilor and was elected City Council President by his peers. During those four years, Martin championed successful efforts to raise the minimum wage, crack down on crime, support small local businesses, and make Albuquerque a leader in energy and water conservation. He also served as the State of New Mexico's Natural Resources Trustee, working to protect the state's natural environment and cleaning up contaminated areas in impoverished areas of the state.

Martin derives his inspiration and passion for public service from his working class upbringing, his wife Julie, his two sons, Carter and Micah, and the community of New Mexico's First Congressional District that his family calls home. His strong, just, principled and articulate leadership is focused on continuing to grow New Mexico's First Congressional District as a national leader in tomorrow's new energy economy and an outstanding place to raise a family