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Representative Ford and Congressman Davis Applaud Progressive Tax Reform Ideas

CHICAGO- Congressman Danny K. Davis, D-Chicago, and State Rep. La Shawn K Ford, D-Chicago, were both present yesterday in the nation's capital for President Barack Obama's State of the Union address. Included in President Obama's message was the ongoing fight to improve the economy.

President Obama said, "Will we accept an economy where only a few of us do spectacularly well? Or will we commit ourselves to an economy that generates rising incomes and chances for everyone who makes the effort? So the verdict is clear. Middle-class economics works. Expanding opportunity works. And these policies will continue to work, as long as politics don't get in the way."

"President Obama laid out a plan to return our tax system to fairness - to one which works for the great majority of Americans, not just for the top 1% and the special interests," noted Davis. "Putting our values back into our tax code will also help return our economy to sustainability and our neighborhoods to livability."

Obama went on to say how everyone needs to do their fair share, explaining, "That's what middle-class economics is – the idea that this country does best when everyone gets their fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same set of rules."

"We have to be mindful that Democrats and Republicans have worked together to cut wasteful spending in Springfield," said Ford. "We still have work to do to improve Illinois' financial health. This will mean that Democrats and Republicans must share the political sacrifices necessary to reduce wasteful spending and restructure Illinois' tax code for more revenue."

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