

Mahoney Statement on Colombia Free Trade Agreement

(Washington, D.C.)

- Congressman Tim Mahoney (FL-16) issued the following statement today following the house vote to delay consideration of the Colombia Free Trade Agreement:

"Today, I voted against delaying the House's consideration of the Colombian Free Trade Agreement. The trade agreement, while far from perfect, will create more than 6,000 jobs throughout Florida during the next two years and a much needed boost to our slowing economy. In this time of economic recession, I could not justify depriving Florida's families from the benefits this deal will provide. I hope that prior to the consideration of the actual agreement, the White House will work with Congress to address and clean up some the major concerns that are still outstanding, including investigating and prosecuting the deaths of union organizers in Colombia."

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