

MVUC WELCOMES CONGRESSMAN TOM DAVIS



On September 16, 2007 Congressman Tom Davis (R-VA) was a guest speaker in the “Ask Your Elected Representative” Speakers Series. This is a brief summary of his views on various social justice issues.

On Health Care: Congressman Davis believes in competition among health care providers. If providers compete, prices come down, as illustrated by the progressively lower charges for eye laser surgeries and plastic surgeries. He does not believe an enhanced role for the government in this industry.

On Women’s Reproductive

Rights: Women’s reproductive rights should be addressed at a local, not federal level. Tax payers should not fund partial birth abortions.

On Repealing Don’t Ask Don’t Tell: Recruitment for the military is hard as it is, that it would be harder if DADT would be repealed.



On Global Warming: Introducing global warming-related measures to limit the ability of US steel producers to manufacture steel would only lead to production being moved out of the US into countries that have even less environment-friendly regulations. Such measures would have a doubly negative effect: they would increase conditions for further global warming and move jobs out of the U.S. Congressman Davis believes that identifying new technologies and better practicing existing ones would be a more appropriate answer to the challenge of global climate change.



On Iraq: Congressman Davis voted against the 2007 surge and generally finds the Petraeus report to be on target. He also believes that the U.S. has a responsibility to reward those Iraqis and other foreigners who help fight terrorism worldwide.

Congressman Davis with Jim Potter, Chair of BOT, and Gregg Early, Director of Speakers Series

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