

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (FL-16), a member of the House Intelligence and Armed Services Committees, today released the following statement on House passage of the Intelligence Authorization Act, H.R. 1892, as amended by the Senate:

“Since 9/11, our intelligence community has played a crucial role in winning the war on terrorism and protecting Americans from global threats. Passing the intelligence authorization bill provides our intelligence agencies with the tools and resources they need to continue keeping Americans safe. A strong, effective intelligence community is critical to preventing another tragedy like 9/11 from happening again.”

Rooney said the intelligence authorization bill ensures that U.S. intelligence agencies can continue executing global counter-terrorism operations, like the one that took out Osama bin Laden, and providing tactical support in war zones. It also authorizes activities that enhance cyber security, detect and counter weapons of mass destruction, operate spy satellites, monitor foreign militaries and significant events like the turmoil in the Middle East, and develop new technologies.

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