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Mark Reed to Speak at First Ever SEIU Local 721 Republican Mixer

Reseda, California (February 23, 2010) SEIU Local 721, Southern California's public service workers union, is hosting a Republican mixer for its members on Thursday, February 25th at 6:00 p.m. at American Legion Post 308. Congressional Candidate Mark Reed will be the guest speaker, along with Bob Schoonover, President of Local 721.

SEIU is bi-partisan; however, with our nation gridlocked by partisan politics, the union scheduled the event for members to discuss ways they can help solve the budget crisis that threatens their ability to provide for their families. The event will also give SEIU members an opportunity to meet the Republican candidate for the 27th district and get involved if they want to.

Mark Reed is seeking election to California's 27th Congressional District. As a descendant of the Mohawk and Apache, mixed with German, English, Spanish, and French, Reed embodies the diversity of the district. As a successful entrepreneur and community leader, he bought his first company at age 26 and opened a retail store at age 28. He sold both business and bought out his second company by age 32. A union member himself, Reed served on the Screen Actor's Guild board of directors. Reed currently serves on the KCET CAB board and is chairman of the American Indian Committee. For more information about Mark Reed, visit www.MarkReedforCongress.com.

Reed's understanding of both management and union positions affords him a unique perspective and approach to solving the district, state and nation's budget and debt problems. Reed believes, as John Adams said, "There are two ways to enslave a nation. One is by arms. The other is by debt." Reed said "I am running for Congress to restore fiscal discipline." Reed welcomes and wants to encourage help from the members of SEIU Local 721 at this historic event of inclusion.

About SEIU Local 721

SEIU 721 represents the county and city employees across Southern California, including Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, and Riverside counties and numerous cities in the region, as well as employees of special districts and publicly-funded non-profits such as health clinics. Members care for the sick, protect the quality of the drinking water, keep records in the courts, administer benefits for poor people, maintain the libraries, help run the jails, protect our communities' most vulnerable members, maintain the streets, work with parolees, groom and maintain the beaches, and provide many other services to keep counties and cities running.

For more information about Mark Reed, visit MarkReedforCongress.com

For more information about SEIU Local 721 visit SEIU721.org

For details on the Mixer or to receive an invitation (press only), contact Jeff Marks
SEIU Local 721 Republican Mixer; 6-9 pm, Thursday, February 25; American Legion Post 308;
7338 Canby Ave, Reseda, CA 91335

