*WEST HARTFORD* – Congressman John Larson (CT-01) will host an interactive forum next Tuesday at the University of Hartford's Konover Campus Center on cutting the national deficit.

Over the past several decades, our national debt has grown to more than $14 trillion. Democrats and Republicans in Washington have proposed different ways to cut the deficit. Recently, Republicans have proposed ending Medicare while Democrats have proposed eliminating tax breaks for oil companies and the nation's wealthiest Americans.

During the forum participants will break up into groups and create their own mock federal budget where they will decide which programs to cut and which to preserve, while exploring different options on how to pay for them. Following the completion of their individual budgets participants will have an opportunity to present their plan to Congressman Larson and the rest of the forum attendees.

The event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

**WHAT:** Congressman Larson to host interactive forum on cutting the deficit

**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 7, 2011 – 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Konover Campus Center
University of Hartford
200 Bloomfield Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06117
Free Parking in Lot "F"

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