

*Centrist ranking based on non-partisan analysis of legislative record by respected publication*

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Washington, D.C. – In a recent issue of National Journal, a widely respected non-partisan publication that analyzes the legislative records of Members of Congress, Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) is ranked as the most moderate of California’s House members. Overall, Rep. McNerney is identified as one of the “centrist members” of the U.S. House of Representatives. Out of more than 400 House members, he places only 15 spots away from the dead center of the ideological spectrum.

Congressman McNerney has consistently ranked among the moderate members of Congress. National Journal’s findings confirm Congressman McNerney’s commitment to serving as an independent and moderate voice for the people he represents.

“When I decide how to vote on legislation I base my decision on what is right for the people I represent, not on the recommendations of one party or another,” said Rep. McNerney. “I’ve stood up to House leadership on issues like taxes, controlling the debt, and gun ownership and I’ll continue to fight for what’s best for our area.”

For almost thirty years, National Journal, widely considered to be a respected source on vote rankings, has analyzed the legislative records of Members of Congress by compiling key votes on legislation.

Through an in-depth statistical process, National Journal ranks each Member of Congress from most conservative to most liberal on economic, social and foreign policy issues as well as through an average composite score of all three areas. This year, National Journal compared over 90 relevant votes in these key categories, selected to statistically demonstrate the ideology of Members of Congress.