BY THE NUMBERS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FALLS TO 7.8%

On Friday, the Department of Labor released its monthly jobs report showing the unemployment rate dropping to
7.8%
and private sector job growth for the
31st consecutive month
. While these numbers are a sign that the economy is moving forward, there's still more to be done. Congressman Becerra will continue to push for the
Make It In America
plan, a comprehensive jobs plan which will invest in businesses here at home and create good jobs and a stronger middle class.

- **7.8%** unemployment rate is the lowest unemployment rate since President Obama was handed the keys to the White House.

- Last month, private business hired **104,000** new employees and in the last **2 ½** years our economy has created more than
5.2 million
new private sector jobs.

- Over the last **12 months**, nearly **2 million jobs** have been added to the economy. In the last year of the previous administration, the economy lost over
4 million
jobs.

- More jobs had been added during the summer than previously reported with **40,000** more in July and
46,000
more in August.

SHORT TAKES – WASHINGTON, D.C.

REP. BECERRA CALLS ON CONGRESS TO STAY IN SESSION, FINISH THE PEOPLE'S WORK

On September 21, the Republican majority in the House of Representatives recessed for seven weeks without addressing critical issues such as the extension of middle class tax cuts, a farm bill, the American Jobs Act and the Violence Against Women Act. At a press conference, Rep. Becerra called on Congress to stay in session and get to work on the nation's priorities. You can view the video here.

REP. BECERRA STANDS UP FOR THE VOICES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS
On October 9, attempting to call the House back to work to address the nation's priorities, Rep. Becerra went to the floor of the House and sought recognition by the presiding officer but was instead ignored and had his microphone turned off. Rep. Becerra had sought recognition to ask the members of Congress to roll up their sleeves and reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act. You can view the video here.

SHORT TAKES – LOS ANGELES

REP. BECERRA URGES ANGELENOS TO REGISTER TO VOTE
On September 25, National Voter Registration Day, Rep. Becerra urged Angelenos to register to vote at a press conference at Cal State University, Los Angeles. Registration is now easier than ever for Californians with online voter registration now available.