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## LARSON STATEMENT ON SCHIAVO CASE

WASHINGTON, D.C.- U.S. Congressman John B. Larson (CT-1) today issued the following statement regarding Congressional action over the weekend on the Terri Schiavo case.

◆This is a tragic situation,◆ said Larson. ◆I◆m obviously not a doctor or an attorney, nor do I know all the particulars of this heart-wrenching situation and what has gone on within the Schiavo family. However, as a spouse, I would want to fulfill my wife◆s wishes. As a parent, I would cling to every ounce of hope for my daughter. The one thing I know for sure is that 535 Members of Congress shouldn◆t be making very personal decisions for this family or in place of multiple Florida state courts. The narrow way this was drafted and the fact it will impact only this one case and not all families going through this problem leads me to believe this was ideologically and politically motivated. That in itself is another tragedy.◆

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