(*Hartford*) – **Congressman John B. Larson** released the following statement on the U.S. Department of Labor's September employment report, which showed that the U.S. economy added 114,000 jobs in September - the 31st straight month of private sector job growth - and saw unemployment fall to 7.8 percent:

"While welcome news, today's jobs report shows that unemployment remains all too real for too many Americans. Congress should be working with the President to do more to bring certainty and security to American families and businesses still struggling to make ends meet in this tough economy.

"This week House Democrats were at the Capitol, ready to work on improving our economy and creating jobs. Unfortunately, despite the millions of Americans out of work, House Republicans where nowhere to be found. Apparently, they're more worried about their jobs and their paychecks this campaign season than they are about American families. From the American Jobs Act to the Farm Bill, there's plenty of things we could do to help spur the economy and create jobs. But House Republicans would rather play politics than roll-up their sleeves and get to work.

"The American people deserve better. I will continue to do all I can to help our country recover and put people back to work Making It In America again, and it's my hope that those across the aisle will do the same."

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