Washington, DC – Congressman Rob Wittman (VA-1) made the following statement today after the House passed legislation Thursday to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) for five years through 2015:

“This is great news for homeowners and buyers and sellers of residential and commercial property; especially those who have been negatively affected by the uncertainty in the program this year,” Wittman said. “Too many homes and businesses in the First District have been damaged by severe weather and this legislation is critical to ensure that areas across the country at high risk of flooding are identified and mapped, that flood insurance is made widely available, and that flood losses are reduced through improved management of floodplains. I urge the Senate to consider this legislation quickly.”

Congressman Rob Wittman represents the First District of Virginia. He serves on the Natural Resources Committee and the Armed Services Committee where he is the Ranking Member of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee.