

(Washington, DC) Today, Rep. Alcee L. Hastings (D-FL) made the following statement commending Rep. Marcia Fudge (D-OH), who was unanimously elected by the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) to serve as its Chair in the 113th Congress:

"I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate my dear friend and colleague, Congresswoman Marcia Fudge, on being elected the next Chair of the CBC. In addition, I would also like to extend my congratulations to First Vice Chair-elect G.K. Butterfield (D-NC), Second Vice Chair-elect Yvette Clarke (D-NY), Secretary-elect André Carson (D-IN), and Whip-elect Karen Bass (D-CA-33).

"Marcia Fudge is an excellent choice to lead the CBC into the 113th Congress. As we continue to address the many challenges facing our nation, there is no doubt in my mind that she, along with the Executive Board, will ensure that the CBC remains a bastion of equal opportunity and justice for all Americans. Together, we will stand up for hardworking families, struggling communities, and our nation's most vulnerable, while creating jobs and moving our nation forward."

Congressman Alcee L. Hastings serves as Senior Member of the House Rules Committee, Ranking Democratic Member of the U.S. Helsinki Commission, and Democratic Chairman of the Florida Delegation.

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