**WASHINGTON, D.C. -** Representative Rob Wittman took the oath of office today and was sworn in as the representative for Virginia's First Congressional District in the 113th Congress, after being elected in November to his third full term.

"I am truly humbled to represent the people of Virginia's First District in the House of Representatives," Wittman said. "Our nation faces many challenges, and I believe that responsible, dedicated leadership is necessary to ensure that the United States remains the greatest nation the world has ever known. This nation's elected officials should follow the example set by the amazing men and women of our all-volunteer military, whose teamwork and principled courage maintains our freedom each and every day. At the same time, the members of this body cannot forget that this is and always will be the People's House, and that the elected leaders of this nation are accountable to those who represent them. I am fully committed to each citizen in Virginia's First District and to the Constitution of the United States, and I will continue to support responsible public policy that allows our economy to flourish and our people to succeed, as well as legislation that adequately and effectively ensures our nation's ability to defend itself. Without a doubt, it is the dedication of our men and women in uniform and the selflessness of their families that makes our system of government possible, and their service inspires me on a daily basis."

*Rob Wittman has represented Virginia's First District since December of 2007. In the 113th Congress, he will serve on the House Natural Resources Committee and on the House Armed Services Committee, where he will be Chairman of the Readiness Subcommittee.*

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Rob and his granddaughter, Morgan, with Speaker John Boehner