

WASHINGTON, D.C. – For the second time in six weeks, U.S. Rep. Harry Mitchell voted against the Democratic budget resolution, saying the latest plan also fails to assuage his concerns about increased government spending and tax cuts.

Despite Mitchell's nay vote, the S. Con. Res. 21 passed 214-209. Mitchell was one of only 13 Democrats to vote against the resolution.

"As I've said before, I have serious concerns about increasing government spending and I simply cannot support a budget that allows key tax cuts to expire," said Mitchell.

Mitchell renewed his call for Republicans and Democrats to put partisanship aside and work together to demand greater accountability in government spending, cut government waste and extend tax relief to American families.

"The American people would be better served if Republicans and Democrats worked together to incorporate good ideas from both sides of the aisle," he said.

Mitchell said that while the five-year Democratic plan calls for middle class tax cuts, Congress should look at extending estate and capital gains tax cuts that are set to expire in 2010.