

Congressman Rothman Provides Information to Constituents about the Global Swine Flu Outbreak

(Washington, DC) — Congressman Steve Rothman (D — Fair Lawn) released the following statement for his constituents who have any questions or concerns about the global swine flu outbreak.

“Over the past few days, a number of cases of swine influenza have been identified in the United States. Swine Influenza (swine flu) is a respiratory disease of pigs. People do not normally get swine flu, but human infections can and do happen. The emergence of swine flu with cases so far found in Mexico, the United States, Canada and New Zealand, among others, is of concern. The nature of infectious disease outbreaks is one of uncertainty and unpredictability; however officials in New Jersey are monitoring the threat.

“There is no cause for alarm in Northern New Jersey, but it is important to stay informed with the most up-to-date information regarding this global swine flu outbreak,” said Rothman. “I have been in touch with the Department of Homeland Security and officials in New Jersey monitoring the evolving situation and here are several resources to stay informed and healthy.”

These are some links to the Center for Disease Control with general precautions and advisories regarding the current swine influenza situation:

Center for Disease Control and Prevention

http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/?s_cid=swineFlu_outbreak_001

Summary of Swine Flu Investigation and Recommendations

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/swine/investigation.htm>

General Information About Swine Flu

http://www.cdc.gov/flu/swine/general_info.htm

World Health Organization Swine Flu Site

<http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/en/index.html>

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

<http://www.state.nj.us/health/>

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