

Congressman John L. Mica (R-FL)

Republican Leader

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

U.S. House of Representatives

(Bio from the 111th Congress)



Congressman Mica is currently serving his ninth term representing Florida's 7th Congressional District, which stretches from the suburbs of Orlando to Jacksonville.

In the 111th Congress, Rep. Mica was selected by his peers in the House to serve a second term as the Republican Leader of Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. As the Republican Leader of the largest Committee in Congress, Mica helps oversee federal policy issues relating to aviation, highways, transit, rail, pipelines, coast guard, maritime transportation, water resources, economic development, public buildings, and emergency management.

As the Transportation Committee's top Republican, Mica was responsible for legislation in 2008 authorizing, for the first time, private sector participation in the development of high-speed passenger rail service in the United States.

Congressman Mica has strongly advocated for cutting red tape to expedite the lengthy federal transportation infrastructure project approval process, and called for the development of a comprehensive and national strategic transportation plan. These issues remain high priorities for Mica as the Congress continues work to develop a multi-year, multi-billion-dollar reauthorization of federal highway and transit programs, which expired at the end of September 2009.

In 2001, as the Chairman of the Aviation Subcommittee, Mica is credited with bringing America's devastated aviation industry back from the brink of disaster after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

As a national leader in transportation, Rep. Mica's efforts and vision in this field have gained him recognition by numerous organizations and national infrastructure groups.

The Congressman is a former successful businessman and a graduate of the University of Florida. He served as a Chief of Staff in the United States Senate and was a former member of the Florida House of Representatives. Congressman Mica and his wife, Pat, have resided in Central Florida, since their marriage in 1972.

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