

Hinchey Statement on Swearing-In of Governor Paterson

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Albany, NY - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today released the following statement on the swearing-in of Governor David Paterson. Hinchey attended the ceremony in Albany.

"I wish Governor Paterson the very best as he begins his first day in office as governor. I have known him for many years going back to my time in the State Assembly. David Paterson is a very capable person who I believe has the skills to unify the people of New York and lead us to better days.

"Governor Paterson obviously comes into office under unusual circumstances, but I truly believe that he will help restore people's faith in their elected officials and their government. I am confident that the state legislature will work with him to pass and enact legislation that is critical to improving the quality of life for state residents. We are in good hands with David Paterson as our governor.

"From our work to further establish New York as a national and international leader in solar energy research and development, to strengthening the upstate economy, to blocking unwanted and unnecessary new power lines, to protecting and enhancing our precious natural and historical sites, I look forward to working closely with Governor Paterson. I believe that the work my colleagues and I in the New York congressional delegation will achieve in Washington will compliment and further the great work Governor Paterson will accomplish in Albany."