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US Economy Added Jobs for Record 74th Consecutive Month According to April Jobs Report

WASHINGTON – Joint Economic Committee (JEC) Ranking Member Carolyn B. Maloney (D-NY) issued the following statement Friday after the Department of Labor announced that the economy added 160,000 nonfarm jobs in April, and the unemployment rate remained steady at 5.0 percent. April marked the 74th consecutive month of private-sector job growth, the longest streak on record.

“For the 74th consecutive month, the jobs numbers from the Department of Labor show that America continues to make progress after the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. President Obama, Democratic leaders in Congress, and our business community continue to put Americans back to work.

“However, the job is far from over. Too many Americans have not fully recovered from the Great Recession. We need to build on the growth we are enjoying and ensure it reaches everyone. This means continuing the policies that are fueling this growth, as well as raising the minimum wage, demanding equal pay for equal work, and funding improvements in our infrastructure that will put people to work.”

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