

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-5) released the following statement today after the Department of Labor released its jobs report for August:

“For the thirtieth month straight, our economy continued to add private sector jobs in August. With 103,000 more Americans back to work last month in the private sector and the unemployment rate dropping from 8.3% to 8.1%, our economic recovery is moving forward, and our nation is headed in the right direction.

“While encouraging, today's report also shows that we have more work to do. We should be taking action to encourage American businesses to expand and hire for well paying jobs that won't be shipped overseas, which is what House Democrats' Make It In America jobs plan is all about – creating jobs and providing opportunities for the middle class.

“I call on both parties to work together so that we can address the jobs challenge in a comprehensive way and help more of our people Make It In America.”