Congresswoman Announced Award with HUD Secretary, Governor and Mayor

(Washington, DC)– U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) announced that over $820 million is coming to Wisconsin to build a high-speed rail line between Milwaukee and Madison and make improvements to existing rail service between Milwaukee and Chicago.

She announced the award in downtown Milwaukee at the Intermodal Station this afternoon with Housing Secretary Shaun Donovan, Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle and Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett. The funding is part of $8 billion being awarded nationwide that was included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

Congresswoman Moore said, “This funding will put people to work right away on a project that lays the foundation for Milwaukee’s and our region’s long-term prosperity. Linking to other cities will help Milwaukee compete in the 21st Century.”

It has been reported that this will create 13,000 jobs.

Thirteen major rail corridors and 31 states will receive funding that will lay the foundation for a nationwide high-speed rail system.

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