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Congressman Keith Ellison (Minneapolis) received a 100% rating from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) in its Congressional Scorecard for the 111th Congress. The scorecard rates members of Congress on their support for legislation affecting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality.

"I am honored to have my work in Congress recognized by the tireless advocates for equality at the Human Rights Campaign," Ellison said. "My life's work is based on the principle that all Americans, regardless of race, class, creed, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity, must be guaranteed equal rights," Ellison stated. "In light of the recent horrific tragedies within the LGBT community, I can hardly think of a more critical time to combat division and hate by raising a message of equality and inclusion and I thank HRC for their dedication to this work," Ellison concluded.

"Congressman Ellison is a leader on equality issues and rightfully deserves a 100% rating for standing up time and again for the LGBT community," said HRC President Joe Solmonese. "As we work to rid our laws of discrimination and extend basic protections, Congressman Ellison is a true champion," Solmonese concluded.

For each two year session of Congress since 1989, HRC has published a Congressional Scorecard that includes key Congressional votes and co-sponsorship of pro-LGBT legislation. It is a critical tool to assist fair-minded Americans in assessing the relative support or non-support of Members of Congress and to advocate for pro-equality legislation.

Congressional scores, including Congressman Ellison's, can be viewed online at www.hrc.org/
scorecard.