## **Congressman Tom Reed**

Tom Reed was first elected to the House of Representatives in a special election in November 2010. Since then, he has stood with the people of the Southern Tier, Finger Lakes Region, and Western New York. By focusing on job creation and helping those in our communities including students, senior citizens, and veterans, Team Reed strives to make New York a better place in which to live and work.

Tom currently represents New York's 23rd District. He serves as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, which is responsible for addressing issues of tax policy, trade, health care, and Social Security. He sits on the Trade, Health, and Human Resources subcommittees. He serves as Co-Chair of the Congressional Diabetes Caucus, the House Manufacturing Caucus, and the Problem Solvers Caucus.

The mission that drives Tom is to continue to be accessible and help anyone in need. Tom and his team have completed more than 10,000 constituent cases, resolving issues with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Veterans Administration (VA), Social Security Administration (SSA) and other federal agencies.

A caring and accessible leader, Tom values the thoughts and concerns of the people from across the district, which is why he has held more than 200 public town hall meetings since taking office

Tom remains committed to championing job creation by tackling our national debt, reducing burdensome regulations on small businesses, developing an "all of the above" energy policy, and reforming our tax code.

He is the youngest of 12 children raised by Tom Sr. and Betty Barr Reed. Tom's father was a career Army officer, who worked his way through the enlisted ranks, and was a decorated veteran of both World War II and the Korean War. Tom married his wife, Jean, in 1996. Tom, Jean, and their two children, Autumn and Will, currently live in Corning, in the house built by Tom's grandfather in the early 1920s.

Tom graduated from Alfred University in 1993 and from Ohio Northern University College of Law in 1996. His legal career began shortly thereafter in Rochester. In 1999, he returned to his hometown of Corning. After opening a private legal practice, Tom also began a business in real estate. He successfully ran for mayor and served as Mayor of Corning from 2008-2009. Tom helped change the political climate in Corning, and is now working to do the same in Washington.