CRYSTAL LAKE, IL – Congresswoman Melissa Bean (IL-08) attended a town hall meeting for residents of McHenry County today with Senator Barack Obama. The event, held at McHenry County College, was a candid discussion between Senator Obama and the more than 500 area residents in attendance. Constituents asked Senator Obama questions on issues such as health care, education, national security, and college tuition costs.

Bean noted that town hall meetings are a critically important component of the democratic process, allowing her to remain in-touch with her constituents and address their needs in Washington. She has hosted dozens of town hall meetings and *Congress @ Your Corner* events throughout the Eighth District since taking office last year.

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