Washington, D.C. – After President Bush sent the controversial Colombia free-trade agreement to Congress today, Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) issued the following statement:

"On my recent economic listening tour throughout the Ohio River Valley, I heard loud and clear from working families that free trade may work on Wall Street, but it isn't working on Main Street. Rest assured that I'm not for NAFTA, CAFTA or any other AFTA. This particular agreement is bad for many reasons. It fails to meet enforceable labor standards and does little to reduce violence against union leaders. Last year alone, 72 union members in Colombia were murdered. For the Columbian workers and for the workers back home in Ohio who are watching their jobs disappear overseas, I oppose the Columbia Free Trade Agreement."