WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Todd Akin, released the following statement following the shooting at Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords “Congress on Your Corner” meeting:

“My family and I continue to pray for Rep. Giffords, her family and her staff as she begins her recovery. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of Judge John Roll, Gabe Zimmerman, Christina Taylor Green, Dorothy Morris, Phyllis Schneck, and Dowan Stoddard as they mourn the loss of their loved ones. We continue to pray for those who were injured in the attack and wish them a swift recovery.

“Along with the people of the 2nd District who are shocked by these senseless murders, we hope for justice in the prosecution of the shooter and for healing in the community suffering this tragic loss.”