

WASHINGTON (May 7) – Congressman Spencer Bachus has received the American Conservative Union’s ACU Conservative Award for legislative votes cast during 2009.

Bachus was presented with the award by American Conservative Union Chairman David A. Keene at a program in Washington on Thursday. The award from the nation’s largest conservative organization is based on a selection of 25 votes, including votes cast in opposition to the government health care bill, the stimulus package, the “cap and trade” energy bill, and a financial regulatory bill that included bailouts for failed companies.

“It is an honor to accept this award from the American Conservative Union. The relentless expansion of spending and government control must stop. We must return America to our constitutional principles of limited government and personal freedom,” said Congressman Bachus, who the ACU lists as having the most conservative lifetime legislative record in the Alabama delegation.

ACU Chairman David A. Keene said, “This award is a reflection of Representative Spencer Bachus’ consistent support of conservative principles on a wide range of issues of concern to grass roots conservatives in 2009. At a challenging time when the fundamental principles on which the American system of government is based are being challenged, Representative Spencer Bachus stands with those who are trying to preserve those principles.”

The American Conservative Union was founded in 1964 and is the largest grassroots conservative organization in the country.