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Congressman Mark Kirk (R-IL), telling 10th District voters that he's officially running for a third term, has been named one of "28 emerging leaders in Congress" by Congressional Quarterly. Kirk's re-election agenda is highlighted by plans for economic development in Waukegan and North Chicago, putting a curb on the sale of club drugs, increasing funding for public transportation to eliminate gridlock, and improving veterans' benefits. Kirk is a member of the House Appropriation's Committee which means he has a hand in deciding how public funds are spent.