



The 7th Express

Proudly Moving Alabama's 7th Congressional District Forward

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The 7th District Is On The Move!

Greetings!

The 7th Express is on the move! This newsletter is a way to track our progress. You can subscribe to this newsletter by visiting our website. Please forward to others so that they can stay informed. [Click here](#) to visit our website or visit <http://sewell.house.gov/>.

Congresswoman Sewell Visits Sumter County Health and Rehabilitation Center

On June 30, we had the pleasure of visiting the Sumter County Health and Rehabilitation Center to meet with patients and tour the facility. The work that Sumter Health and Rehabilitation Center does is so important to the lives of so many families in the 7th Congressional District. The center provides access to rehabilitation, assisted living, dementia, and long term care services. It is critically important that my constituents in the Black Belt have access to these services, and Sumter Health and Rehabilitation Center is a vital component of ensuring that.



Congresswoman Sewell Announces \$4,565,580 for Birmingham-Shuttlesworth Airport

Our office is excited to announce that \$4,565,580 in funding has been awarded to the Birmingham Airport Authority to improve two of the airport's terminals at Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport. The U.S. Department of Transportation funds were awarded by the Federal Aviation Administration. According to the project description, the project will improve safety at the airport by constructing terminal apron pavement for aircraft using concourses A and B. Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport is the primary airport in Birmingham, Alabama.

Congresswoman Sewell Commemorates 145th Anniversary of Brown Chapel



On August 27, Brown Chapel AME Church in Selma will celebrate its 145th anniversary. On July 28, I spoke on the House floor to commemorate this awesome occasion. Brown Chapel has been a pillar in my hometown community of Selma, Alabama. I am proud to call Brown Chapel my home church, and know that the support of the church and my community has greatly contributed to my development and success. [Click here](#) to watch it or visit <http://www.youtube.com/RepSewell>.

Elected Officials from Jefferson County and the City of Birmingham Visit DC

On July 10, elected officials from the City of Birmingham and Jefferson County visited our office in DC to discuss the status of the disaster recovery process, economic development and other issues important to the City of Birmingham, Jefferson County and constituents in the 7th District.



Congresswoman Sewell in Opposition to the Republican Short-Term Default Bill

On August 1st, I voted in favor of the Budget Control Act of 2011, the bill to prevent our country from going into default. While it is not a perfect bill, this bipartisan measure prevents this nation from going into default and protects Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security – essential programs relied upon by our nation’s seniors and middle class families. The bill that passed today removes the cloud of economic uncertainty from our global markets and ensures that this nation will meet its fiscal obligations. I voted in favor of this bill not because I am a Democrat, but because I believe in the Full Faith and Credit of the United States.

Legislation is the art of compromise and there are plenty of provisions in this bill that are unsettling. The drastic cuts coupled with no revenues I believe threatens our economic recovery. However, the bill does provide a significant down payment on our nation’s debt and creates a process for reducing the deficit.

As we continue working toward strengthening the economy, the burden cannot simply fall on our seniors, students, middle class families and the most vulnerable. The solution must include shared sacrifice from us all.

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It is an honor to serve the 7th District in Congress.
I’ll be back in touch again soon!

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Member of Congress