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CONGRESSWOMAN TERRI SEWELL

REPRESENTING ALABAMA'S 7TH DISTRICT

Friends,

It is an honor to serve you in Congress! One of the most important responsibilities I have as your representative is to update you on the work we are doing on your behalf. This newsletter serves as a monthly update on the progress we have made both in Washington and in Alabama's 7th Congressional District.

For more information on developments in our office, please visit our website at <http://sewell.house.gov/>.

Sincerely,



2014 Congressional Job Fair



Unemployment remains the number one issue in the 7th Congressional District. Our annual Job Fair is part of our long-term commitment to tackling this crisis by bringing together employers and job seekers.



On August 7, we hosted our 2014 Congressional Job Fair at Alabama State University in Montgomery. With nearly 100 employers participating, we had an overwhelming response as more than 3,000 job seekers attended the Job Fair in search of employment.



Our next Job Fair will be held in August 2015 in Demopolis. As we get closer to August, we will post more details on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [website](#).



Congresswoman Sewell Welcomes U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan and HUD Secretary Julian Castro to Birmingham



On September 8, we hosted the U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Julian Castro during their visit to the 7th Congressional District. We welcomed Secretary Duncan to Birmingham for his 5th Annual Back-to-School Bus Tour and met with community leaders, educators, parents and other education advocates in Alabama to showcase reforms and investments the Department has made in Birmingham and across the State of Alabama. During their visit, the cabinet secretaries and Congresswoman Sewell participated in a "My Brother's Keeper" panel discussion at Phillips Academy which was attended by community leaders, educators, and many bright young students from throughout Birmingham.

Congresswoman Sewell Welcomes Ex-Im Bank Chairman, Fred Hochberg, to Birmingham



On September 3, we welcomed the Chairman of the Ex-Im Bank, Fred Hochberg, to the Birmingham Business Alliance luncheon. On September 17, Congresswoman Sewell voted in favor of the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, which included funding for a nine-month extension of the Ex-Im Bank.

Congresswoman Sewell Leads Calls for Resignation of U.S. District Judge Mark Fuller

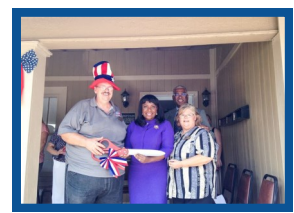
On September 10, Congresswoman Sewell called for the resignation of U.S. District Judge Mark Fuller in a [posting](#) on social media in response to his recent arrest for battery after an altercation with his wife. Later, she elaborated upon her call for his resignation in [an official statement](#) posted on our website. On September 17, she [appeared on MSNBC's All In With Chris Hayes](#) to reiterate her call for his immedi-



We met with EPA officials on August 4th to tour and check up on clean-up efforts in North Alabama.



Congresswoman Sewell presented Alabama State University's first female president, Gwendolyn Boyd, with a gift following her inauguration on September 5.



On August 4th, Congresswoman Sewell attended a dedication ceremony for a house built by Three Hots and a Cot, an organization founded by JD and Lynette Simpson which provides housing for local veterans.

Constituent Success Story

A permanently disabled Veteran contacted our Tuscaloosa office earlier this year regarding several outstanding claims. After our staff worked with the VA Regional Office, the constituent was granted entitlement to his claims and is now receiving an increase in his monthly benefits and a retroactive payment of \$18,798.71.

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Please be sure to "like" us on [Facebook](#), and follow us on [YouTube](#) and [Twitter](#) to receive Congressional updates and keep abreast of office events!

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



Medicaid Expansion Caucus

Congresswoman Sewell joined the State Medicaid Expansion Caucus as a founding member. The Caucus is chaired by Reps. G.K. Butterfield (D-NC) and Hank Johnson (D-GA) and is comprised of 33 Members of Congress from states that have chosen not to expand Medicaid. The refusal to expand Medicaid is a reckless disregard for the needs of more than 235,000 Alabamians who make too much to qualify for Medicaid but too little to afford private insurance. The consequences of Alabama's decision to not expand this critical program are extensive, with dire implications for both the health and well-being of our constituents and the strength and vitality of our states' economy.

To read Congresswoman Sewell's statement on her membership in the State Medicaid Expansion Caucus, visit our website [here](#).

To watch Congresswoman Sewell giving floor remarks in support of Medicaid Expansion visit our YouTube page [here](#).

