Dear Friend,

Today is a holiday near and dear to my heart, National Voter Registration Day. Growing up in Selma, Alabama, I was surrounded by stories from the Civil Rights Movement about those brave Foot Soldiers who risked their lives and their safety to ensure that every American was able to exercise their constitutional right to vote. Every day that I’ve been privileged to walk the halls of Congress, I’ve remembered their tremendous sacrifice, understanding that it paved my way.

Voting is the bedrock of our democracy. Without equal participation we do not have fair representation and we cannot truly serve the people of the United States, listening to and advocating for communities on their own terms.

For this reason, access to voting has been and continues to be my central issue, and one that I will continue to champion so long as I am in Congress representing Alabama’s 7th Congressional District.

Whether you’re encouraging a relative to register with the state of Alabama or starting a conversation with a neighbor about the importance of voting, there are plenty of ways to uplift the dialogue around access to voting. I hope you will join me in raising awareness around this key issue; our fight to protect the vote is far from over.

Sincerely,

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell