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Hello Tyler,

I want to take a moment to sincerely thank everyone who reached out to my family and me with condolences on the passing of my sister, Rachel. Your thoughts, prayers, cards, flowers, and best wishes truly mean the world to me, and I am reminded once again how blessed I am to represent the greatest state in the entire nation. While I will miss Rachel terribly, I also look forward to returning to Washington, D.C. and continuing to do the job you elected me to do.

Equal Representation Act Passes the House of Representatives

Congress must do two things to ensure election integrity—pass the Equal Representation Act and require voter identification to participate in federal elections. All other authority and responsibility for conducting elections should remain with the states, as intended. I have repeatedly said that while we do not want to federalize our elections, we should all be working towards ensuring their integrity through common-sense solutions such as voter ID, adopting safeguards against non-citizens voting, signature verification, and chain-of-custody requirements for ballots.

On Wednesday, I am happy to report that the House passed [H.R. 7109](#), the Equal Representation Act, of which I am a proud cosponsor, as it is vital to reforming and improving the integrity of our federal elections. The bill would require the U.S. Census Bureau to include a citizenship question in any future decennial census. This Act would help us to better determine and calculate the number of non-citizens living in the country, while also preventing illegal aliens from being counted for purposes of apportioning seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and for determining Electoral College numbers.

While I was unable to cast my “yes” vote or speak in favor of the bill on the floor during debate, I submitted written remarks – [which you can read here](#) – to the record supporting the bill to reiterate and reinforce Congressional intent to make sure that only U.S. citizens may participate in U.S. elections, and to block the administrative state from trying to undermine the intent of the bill through rules and other policies (e.g., by defining “citizen” so broadly so as to make the Act essentially meaningless in terms of protecting U.S. voters). Guaranteeing free and fair elections for U.S. citizens – not illegal aliens – remains a top priority of mine in Congress.

Biden’s USDA Issues Rule Mandating EID Ear Tags for Cattle and Bison

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s (APHIS) [final rule mandating electronic identification \(EID\) ear tags](#) is a solution in search of a problem. America produces the highest quality meat in the world, and there is nothing wrong with our traditional disease traceability system. This new rule is an unnecessary and wrongheaded federal mandate that American ranchers will have to pay for, forces our cattle and bison producers to chip and trace their livestock, and further imbeds the federal government into an industry that doesn’t need such oversight. This mandate raises serious privacy concerns for ranchers, giving federal bureaucrats the authority to lock them out of their traditional markets, thereby furthering the vertical integration of the U.S. food supply chain. I have fought this policy since 2019, and as your Representative, I have led the charge to defund this rule in Congress. In the coming weeks, I will introduce a joint resolution of disapproval pursuant to the Congressional Review Act (CRA) to overturn this harmful rule.

Since the announcement of APHIS’s intent to mandate EID ear tags, I have led the Congressional effort to support America’s ranchers and block this rule. My opposition has included three op-eds describing the threats and consequences of such a mandate, countless radio and television interviews, and oversight letters to the Department of Agriculture demanding the consideration of additional stakeholder input and the removal of the rule. In addition to my upcoming CRA resolution, I have opposed the mandate during debate on the House floor and sought to block the rule numerous times through the appropriations process, including by introducing an amendment to block federal funds from supporting the rule’s implementation. You can read more about why I have fought so hard against this USDA/APHIS overreach in three of my op-eds, [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#).

The Biden administration has launched a war on the west, seeking to deny access, management and use on large swaths of federal lands; pushing policies intended to destroy our energy industries; fighting to breach dams that are critically important for storing irrigation water and producing reliable hydropower; and seeing to demonize our livestock industries. This EID mandate is part of this larger attack on our way of life, culture, and prosperity. I will continue to do everything I can to block it.

My Priorities for Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations Cycle: Pt. 1

Thank you to everyone who submitted Community Project Funding requests for the FY25 appropriations cycle. My office received over 20 requests – while I wish I could have submitted them all, below are a few of the projects that I have sent to the House Appropriations Committee for consideration. It is my hope that these funds are returned to Wyoming to help those communities that truly need them for protecting and improving the health, safety, and wellbeing of their citizens.

Fort Laramie Canal Tunnel Restoration Project – Goshen Irrigation District, Goshen County

The funding for this project would cover preconstruction activities and site work at Tunnels #1 and #2 along the Fort Laramie Canal. In July 2019, Tunnel #2 on the Fort Laramie Canal collapsed, impacting approximately 107,000 production acres in Wyoming and Nebraska and resulting in an estimated \$89 million economic impact. The purpose of the Fort Laramie Canal Tunnel Restoration Project is to avoid another costly system failure and to ensure a reliable and long-term economic outlook for water delivery service to the farmers Goshen Irrigation District serves.

Bitter Creek Restoration Project - City of Rock Springs

The funding for this project will be used to complete Phase 2 of the Bitter Creek Restoration Project. Completion of this restoration project would help control flooding and eliminate the potential for further damage, stimulate substantial economic growth and benefits to the surrounding community, and improve connectivity with and enhance the City’s existing trails and parks systems by adding a new pedestrian trail for recreational use.

WY 210 Rehabilitation - WYDOT

The funding for this project will be used for a mill, overlay, and chip seal along 10 miles of WY 210. The proposed work will result in complete pavement rehabilitation for WY 210 providing for a safer road with smoother ride quality, particularly in winter conditions. Ensuring this route remains safe and in good condition is paramount for this popular route connecting Cheyenne and Laramie and connecting locals and visitors alike to nearby recreation opportunities all year long.

See What I'm Doing in D.C.! Add Me on Social Media:



Events and Announcements

The 2024 Congressional App Challenge is LIVE!

Middle and high school students, now is the time to enter this year’s Congressional App Challenge (CAC)!

This nationwide competition hosted by the House of Representatives helps students learn coding skills and explore opportunities within the STEM and computer science field. Students of all skill levels are encouraged to participate; winning apps will be announced in December 2024 and featured on the U.S. House of Representatives website and in the U.S. Capitol Building.

Applications are due **October 24, 2024, at 12:00 PM EST**, so don't waste time! [Register online](#) and start building your app today!

Adult volunteers are also needed! If you're a STEM teacher, computer science expert, or App Challenge alum, please consider becoming one of my volunteer judges. More information on being a judge can be [found here](#) on the CAC website. I'm also asking all teachers to encourage their students to participate in this year's competition. [Visit here for more information](#) on how you can inspire your students to explore the world of coding.

[Visit my website](#) for more information and reach out to Lisa.Scaling@mail.house.gov with any questions you have!

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Upcoming Veterans Events from Sheridan VA

The Sheridan VA has announced multiple upcoming events for Wyoming's veterans this May. As mentioned in a previous email, Sheridan VA will be hosting a PACT Act informational session on May 22 in Fort Washakie; for more information, [click here](#). A Veterans Resource Fair is also scheduled for May 25 at the National Museum of Military Vehicles in Dubois, which will include blood draws, a panel discussion on veterans communities, and a resource fair featuring over 40 organizations and partners. More details on the event can be found [at this link](#). Finally, Sheridan VA is hosting several Women Vets events across the state this week: to find one near you, [visit their website here](#).

Come Attend My May 31 Town Hall!

I'm proud to announce my 13th town hall of 2024 will be in Converse County! If you live in the area, I hope you will attend.

Converse County Town Hall:

Friday, May 31, 2024 – 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Eastern WY College, Douglas Campus

800 S Wind River Dr, Douglas WY

Upcoming Congress in Your Communities

Each week that I am in DC, my staff hold mobile office hours around the state to hear your concerns and assist with casework requests. Schedule an appointment [here](#) or by calling 307-261-6595. Exact addresses for Congress in Your Community locations will be provided once meeting times are confirmed.

Congress in Niobrara County:

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Manville, WY

Congress in Washakie County:

Thursday, May 23, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Worland, WY

Congress in Uinta County:

Friday, May 17, 2024 – 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Evanston, WY

Congress in Park County:

Thursday, June 6, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Cody, WY

Recent Votes

No votes this week. For my full voting record, [click here](#).

Cosponsored Legislation

Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

- [H.R. 6185](#), the *Guaranteeing Reliable Infrastructure Development (GRID) Act*, which requires coordination of federal agencies when regulatory actions impact the overall reliability of the bulk-power system.
- [H.R. 5947](#), which reinstitutes sanctions on Iran waived by President Biden and prevents him from exempting Iranian bank accounts from U.S. sanctions.

Tweet of the Week

Rep. Harriet Hageman @RepHageman · May 3

Agriculture is vitally important to Wyoming. I will ensure our farmers and ranchers are well represented in these conversations.

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House Committee on Agriculture @HouseAgGOP · May 3

More than 90,000 jobs are supported by the agricultural industry in Wyoming. The #FarmBill supports Wyoming ag and the rural communities impacted by it.

Video of the Week

States use science to manage gray wolf populations. The federal government uses vision statements.

In the News

Illegal Aliens Skew Elections By Inflating Certain States’ Electoral Power. This Bill Would Change That

Congressional seats and electoral votes should be apportioned according to the number of citizens, not illegal immigrants, within a state.

I'm proud to cosponsor the Equal Representation Act that will ensure that America's citizens are more fairly represented in Washington, D.C.

Guild honored with National High School Heart of the Arts Award

Adam Guild honored with National High School Heart of the Arts Award

Congratulations to Wyoming's own Adam Guild on being named one of just 8 regional winners of the Heart of the Arts Award! There's no better way to close out Teacher Appreciation Week than recognizing the positive impact that Adam and all of our teachers have on Wyoming's students!

I Want to Hear From You!

I cannot do my job without your support and input. Thank you for the calls, letters, emails, and questions you have sent to our offices. Please continue to reach out via the contact information below, and stay up to date on all the latest activities and legislation by subscribing and sharing this newsletter and our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube](#) accounts with your friends and family!

Sincerely,

Rep. Harriet Hageman

Member of Congress

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