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What a week! I am so grateful for the HUNDREDS of people who attended my town halls in Cheyenne and Casper! My time in Wyoming was filled with productive meetings with numerous constituents, business owners, and local officials – I am thankful for everyone's time, comments, suggestions, and dialogue. I would also like to give a warm welcome to the over **1100** new members who recently joined the Wyoming Round-Up! Please continue to encourage your friends and family to subscribe [via this link!](#)

I want to begin by offering my condolences to Sen. John Barrasso and his family over the passing of his wife, Bobbi. I first met Bobbi when we were law school students together at the University of Wyoming. She was a wonderful, kind woman who truly loved our state, and relished studying the law. I hope you will keep the Senator and his family in your prayers during this time of sadness.

A Busy Week Indeed!

In addition to my town halls, I had the chance to meet with multiple individuals, businesses and local officials to discuss the issues and challenges they face, while also learning more about the services they provide to their communities and our great state. Whether I was talking with the leadership of Natrona County International Airport; discussing homelessness, staffing, and immigration challenges with local mayors and county commissioners; or discussing my efforts to rein in federal agencies and protect our 1st and 2nd Amendment rights with Legislators who represent portions of Natrona County, it was a week of enlightening and productive conversations. I believe it is critically important for me to meet with those individuals who are the closest to and most knowledgeable about the challenges our communities face, and I now have several new ideas to bring back with me to Washington.

I also had the chance to meet the 2023 Congressional App Challenge winners and runner-up.

Thank you to all who participated in this great program, which is designed to teach our next generation how to code, while encouraging students to pursue STEM careers. Find out more and how to sign up by contacting Lisa.Scaling@mail.house.gov or visiting <https://www.congressionalappchallenge.us>.

American Land Belongs in American Hands

Last week, the U.S. Government Accountability Office confirmed what we in Wyoming already knew – foreign investment and ownership of American farmland and property located near sensitive sites (e.g., military bases) poses a direct threat to our national security and food security.

This new report now confirms that we have been kept in the dark about the full scope of the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) abysmal failure to track and publicly share information on foreign ownership of American land, even when that land is near sensitive military bases, and despite the fact that the agency is required by the law to do so. We now know that Chinese firms and investors own about 380,000 acres of farm ground and control an outsized portion of our food supply (including by owning one of the big 4 meat packing companies).

Whether through Natural Asset Companies (NACs) or by direct purchase, America's enemies would relish nothing more than to control and weaponize our federal and private lands, as well as a host of other natural resources, to further *their* country's goals, while weakening the United States in the process. Thankfully we were able to notch an important victory against NACs earlier this month, but more must be done. We must be forever vigilant – to hold our federal agencies to account for their failure to follow the law and do what Congress has ordered them to do, while also making sure that these federal agencies do not become tools of foreign, malign, and/or radical influencers who seek to prevent us from producing our domestic energy supplies and remaining food independent.

That's why I've cosponsored two bills to help keep American land in American hands: [H.R. 558](#) prevents adversaries like China, Russia, North Korea, and Iran from owning any property within 10 miles of a military base, port, airport, or other sensitive site, and [H.R. 809](#), the *Prohibition of Agricultural Land for the People's Republic of China Act*, which prohibits any Chinese agents, businesses, or nonresident aliens from purchasing farmland in the U.S.

Students: Spend This Summer Working for Wyoming!

Washington, DC
Intake and log constituent concerns by mail and phone
Greet and assist visitors and meetings in the office
Lead US Capitol Tours
Draft constituent correspondence
Prepare research and briefing materials for meetings, hearings and markups
Work directly with legislative, communications, and administrative staff on projects

Cheyenne & Casper
Intake and log constituent concerns by mail and phone
Greet and assist visitors and meetings in the office
Assist with federal casework for constituents in need
Attend meetings and events with district staff
Research state issues for staff and prepare reports
Work directly with district staff on projects

If you're a college student or recent graduate still deciding on your plans for this summer, look no further!

My office is accepting applications for our summer internship program! If you would like to learn about Congress and government while serving your state, I would love to have you.

Apply by **5:00 PM MT on February 16** to be considered! Applications can be submitted via my website, or to Christiana.Nelson@mail.house.gov for consideration. In your application, please list your desired offices (DC, Casper, or Cheyenne) and include a resume and cover letter expressing why you would like to join my team.

[APPLY TODAY!](#)

Business Owners, Check Your PPP Loans!

If your business participated in the Paycheck Protection Program during the COVID-19 response, your loans will soon be coming due for repayment if they were not forgiven!

If you have questions on the process for repaying these loans, would like to request hardship accommodations or have a subordination request, please contact the COVID EIDL Servicing Center at 1-833-853-5638 or by email at CovidEIDL.Servicing@sba.gov. Make sure to include your loan or application number, as well as the purpose for your request.

To view your loans, visit lending.sba.gov or call 833-572-0502. As always, my staff are ready to assist with any issues you experience when dealing with the Small Business Administration!

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Upcoming Events

Wyoming Wednesday Schedule for Spring 2024

Don't miss out on a chance to meet with me and your Wyoming Congressional Delegation! Wyoming Wednesdays are held Wednesday mornings from 9AM - 10AM in Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 366. For all information, please [visit my events page](#). To schedule a meeting with my staff, please email Marjorie.Daily@mail.house.gov.

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- Feb 28
- Mar 6
- Mar 20
- Apr 10
- Apr 17
- May 1
- May 8
- May 16
- May 22

Recent Votes

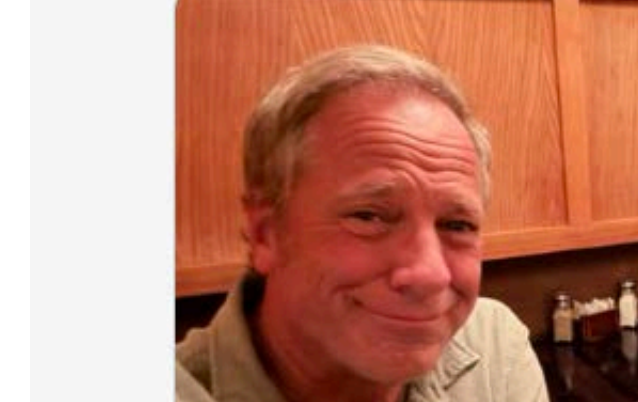
The House was in a district work period, so no votes this past week! For my full voting record, [click here](#).

Cosponsored Legislation

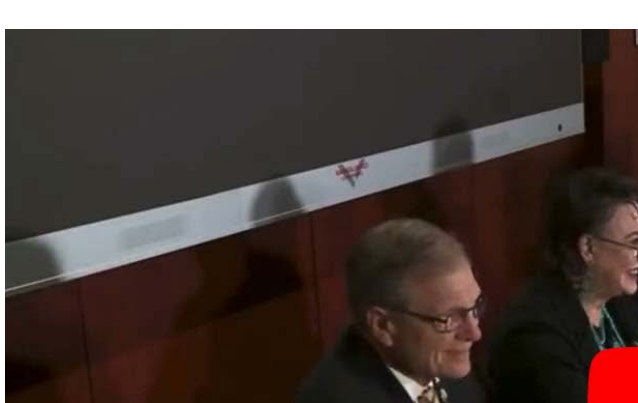
Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

1. [H.J.Res. 97](#), which will return all criminals to prison that were released and placed in home confinement as part of the CARES Act.
2. [H.R. 6958](#), which will require cabinet officials (such as the Secretary of Defense) to notify Congress whenever they will be temporarily unable to perform the duties of their position at least 24 hours before their absence begins.
3. [H.R. 3269](#), the *Law Enforcement Innovate to De-Escalate Act*, which modernizes firearms laws to include advancements in technology and less-than-lethal weapons, such as tasers.

Recent Photos



What a crowd in Cheyenne! I'm so thankful to everyone who came to my town hall – next time we will reserve a bigger room!



Thank you to the wonderful staff at Casper-Natrona County Airport for hosting my town hall on Thursday! You gave a wonderful tour of your facilities and gave me great information on the issues you face in serving our state.



It was so good to meet with Wyoming's 2023 Congressional App Challenge finalists! Thank you to all who participated!



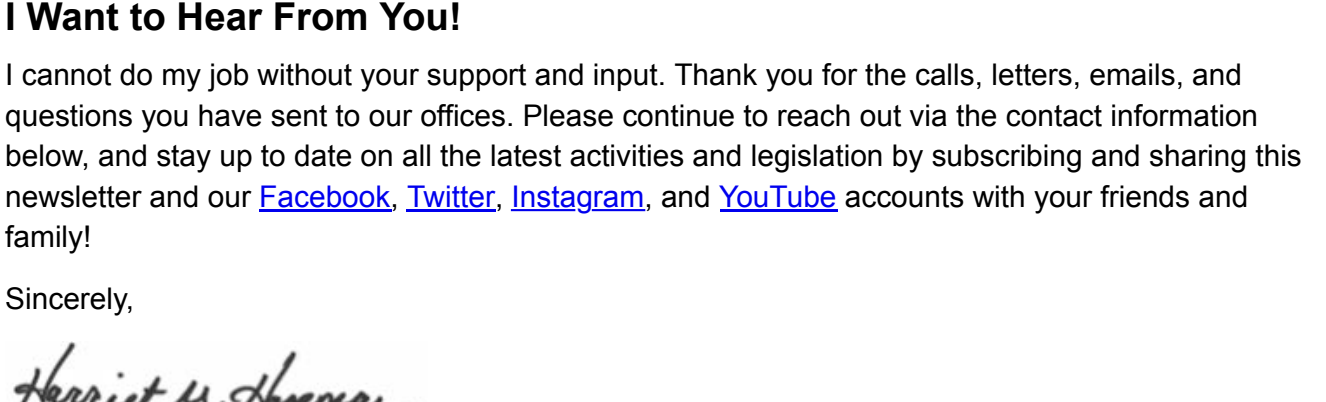
Thank you to Mayors Juarez, Sutherland, Edwards, Cathey, and Vice Mayor Engebretsen for taking time to meet with me to discuss our open southern border, the Rocky Mountain Power rate hike, and the homelessness problem in our communities.



I sat down with State Representatives Washutt, Ward, and Walters, as well as Natrona Co. Commissioner North. We discussed the issues they are facing ahead of the upcoming legislative session.

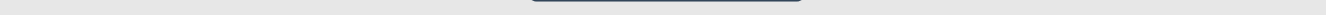


Thank you, Commissioner Freel, for your insight on the staffing and road issues that Natrona County is facing!



Over 150 people came to my town hall in Casper this week! Thank you all for the thought-provoking questions and lively discussion!

Tweet of the Week



Video of the Week

The future of America is tied to the success of conservatism

In the News

You deserve to know where your food comes from. My Country of Origin Labeling Enforcement Act will give Americans certainty in their grocery purchases and protect our food industry.

Cheyenne residents crowd library meeting room to hear from Congresswoman Hageman

I'm thrilled to have kicked off my 2024 town hall tour! More town hall dates in a county near you will be released soon!

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Sincerely,

Harriet M. Hageman

Rep. Harriet Hageman

Member of Congress

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