

The Honorable Lucille Roybal-Allard United States House of Representatives 2083 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

## Dear Congresswoman Roybal-Allard:

On behalf of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 member organizations, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your steadfast commitment to our current and future nursing workforce throughout your time in Congress. The NCC represents a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession and has been honored to work with you as Co-Chair of the Nursing Caucus and in your efforts to address many of the pressing policy issues facing this country.

It is difficult to summarize the historic nature of your career and the steps you have taken to address issues that have long been pushed to the sidelines. Through your leadership in areas such as nursing workforce, maternal health, and public health, you created a space for these critical conversations to happen and paved the way for impactful action, including introducing such bills as Midwives for MOMs Act (H.R. 3352/S. 1697) and the I CAN Act (H.R. 8812). Your dedication to increasing diversity within healthcare is reflected in your time as a Congresswoman, both through the Nursing Caucus and as a member of the House Appropriations Committee. We are so thankful for your work on this committee and for being a true champion for our Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs, which continues to help meet the need for nursing services throughout the country, including in rural and underserved areas.

As your time in Congress comes to an end, the NCC is grateful for your dedication to the nursing profession and for leading the way on these critical issues. You will be greatly missed on the Nursing Caucus, and we wish you all the best. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you or your staff in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the Coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a> or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

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The Honorable Rodney Davis United States House of Representatives 2079 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Davis:

On behalf of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 member organizations, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your steadfast commitment to our current and future nursing workforce throughout your time in Congress. The NCC represents a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession and has been honored to work with you as a Vice Co-Chair of the Nursing Caucus and in your efforts to address many of the pressing policy issues facing this country.

It is said that a good educator explains, a great educator demonstrates, and a superior educator inspires. As a husband of a nurse educator, you entered Congress inspired to support the nursing workforce. Throughout your time on Capitol Hill, you became a nursing champion in your own right, dedicated to seeing the passage of Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization and leading Dear Colleague letters to increase funding for these critical Title VIII programs. Your leadership on bipartisan legislation, such as the I CAN Act (H.R. 8812), serves as a reflection of your dedication to the nursing profession at all levels. While we couldn't have in person events these past few years, it was always a pleasure to have you join us, engage with NCC members, and cheer us on.

As your time in Congress comes to an end, the NCC is grateful for all your work and legacy of supporting our nation's nurses. You will be greatly missed, including on the Nursing Caucus, and we wish you all the best in your next endeavors. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you or your staff in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a> or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

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The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson United States House of Representatives 2306 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

# Dear Congresswoman Johnson:

On behalf of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 member organizations, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your steadfast commitment to our current and future nursing workforce throughout your time in Congress. The NCC represents a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession and has been honored to work with you as a member of the Nursing Caucus and in your efforts to address many of the pressing policy issues facing this country.

Throughout your career, you have been a woman of firsts: the first female African American Chief Psychiatric Nurse while serving our nation's veterans in Texas, and then as the first nurse to be elected in the Texas House, Texas Senate, and the United States Congress. We have been honored to work with you as Congress recognizes National Nurses Week and as you continue to highlight the essential work of our nation's nurses, not just during this public health emergency, but throughout your time on Capitol Hill. We are losing a true champion and know that your legacy of elevating the nursing voice will continue as we bring awareness to these issues and fight for ongoing support of our Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs.

As your time in Congress comes to an end, the NCC is grateful for your dedication to the nursing profession and for leading the way on critical issues. You will be greatly missed, and we wish you all the best in your next endeavors. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you or your staff in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the Coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a> or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

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The Honorable David McKinley United States House of Representatives 2239 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman McKinley:

On behalf of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 member organizations, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your steadfast commitment to our current and future nursing workforce throughout your time in Congress. The NCC represents a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession and has been honored to work with you as a member of the Nursing Caucus and in your efforts to address many of the pressing policy issues facing this country.

As a husband of a critical care nurse, you understand the needs of our nation's nurses and are a true champion in your own right. Your support in moving Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization forward was instrumental in ensuring its passage as part of the CARES Act. Your efforts did not end there, as you also supported funding for Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs, ensuring that the profession has the resources needed to serve all communities, including rural and underserved areas. While we couldn't have in person events these past few years, it was always a pleasure to have you join us and engage with NCC members.

As your time in Congress comes to an end, the NCC is grateful for all your work and legacy of supporting our nation's nurses. You will be greatly missed, and we wish you all the best. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you or your staff in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a> or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

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#### Dear Debbie:

On behalf of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 member organizations, we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for your lifelong commitment to our current and future nursing workforce. The NCC represents a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession and has been honored to work with you as you ensure the nursing voice is at the table as Congress discusses the most pressing policy issues facing our nation.

We understand how rare it is to find a staff member who is a nurse and a nurse champion, but we found that in you. Throughout your time on Capitol Hill, you advanced the needs of the profession, especially as we work to create a more equitable health care system. Your tenure with Congresswoman Roybal-Allard, including on Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs, maternal health, and public health, has paved the way for advancement and awareness of these critical issues. More so, your passion for these priorities has transcended party lines and led to impactful results. While your work is often behind the scenes, please know that we are forever grateful and humbled to have had the opportunity to work with you and better the health of all communities, particularly those in underserved and rural areas.

As your time as a staffer on Capitol Hill ends, there are no words that can adequately convey our deep appreciation of you and your work. Nursing education, workforce, and research are better today because of you. You will be greatly missed, and we wish you all the best in your next endeavors. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the Coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a> or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

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