



Congresswoman Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, Michigan's 13th District

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This E-Newsletter is a weekly summary of the events taking place in the United States' Congress that effect the State of Michigan and primarily Michigan's 13th Congressional District.

This Week In Congress:

BLOODSHED IN HAITI

On Wednesday, myself and 19 other Members of the Congressional Black Caucus paid a visit to the White House. Our purpose was to demand the Bush Administration to intervene into the current attack on democracy in Haiti. We first met with National Security Advisor Condolezza Rice and Secretary of State Colin Powell, but our business was with the President. After a bit of persuading, the President met with us personally. CBC Members outlined four steps that should be taken by the US to stop the killing in Haiti: A statement from the President saying he supports democracy in this hemisphere and that he does not support the guerilla warfare currently underway in Haiti, to use the Haitian Constitution as the primary framework for resolving the crisis, have a US lead international military peace keeping intervention to persuade all parties to lay down their arms, and create a humanitarian and security corridor to aid the people with medical supplies, clean water and food. President Bush's response was to consult with his aids Ms. Rice and Mr. Powell and contact the CBC Members with his decision.

UNBORN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE ACT (LACY AND CONNER PETERSON BILL)

This bill makes it a separate federal offense to cause the death of, or bodily injury to an "unborn child" during the commission of specified violent crimes. What concerns me about this legislation is that it establishes a distinct legal status for a fetus under federal law and appears to be an attempt to undermine *Roe v. Wade*. The measure passed the House with a 264-163 vote.

SNAIL MAIL UPDATE

There has been a set back in the First class mail delivery from the United States Postal Service to the U.S. Capitol in Washington, DC. House mail is currently undergoing additional tests. This means, there is no mail getting to my Washington, DC office. Time sensitive correspondence should be sent to my District offices. Correspondence from Detroit, the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods' constituents should be sent to the Detroit District Office at, 1274 Library Street, Suite 1B, Detroit, MI 48226. Correspondence from River Rouge, Ecorse, Lincoln Park, and Wyandotte constituents should be sent to the South River District Office at, 3005 Biddle Avenue, Room A, Wyandotte, MI 48192. You may also fax correspondence to DC at (202) 225-5730 or send me an email by going to my website www.house.gov/kilpatrick and clicking on "writerepkilpatrick".

TELEVISION SHOW

Due to technical difficulties, Comcast Detroit was unable to show the "ON POINT" program last Friday at 6:00PM. The Saturday 9:00AM broadcast was shown as scheduled. Comcast will air the program this Friday at 6:00 PM. I apologize for any inconvenience.

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