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May 13, 2014

Dear Friends,

We just finished up another busy week in Washington and I'm looking forward to another productive District Work Period back home.

[Bringing My Office to You](#)

As your representative in Congress, I am ready to assist you—my constituents—as you interact with the federal government. This District Work Period I will be holding many meetings with constituents throughout the 14th District, but I want to make sure my staff members are available to serve you where you live.

During the month of May, I will be making my staff available in several locations for a full working day to address any issues you may have with federal agencies, listen to your concerns and deliver those concerns directly to me. My staff can assist with state-related issues and give assistance regarding Social Security benefits, Medicare, Veteran's Affairs, U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services, the Internal Revenue Service and more.

**Please see below my signature for a full list of locations, dates and times.**

[Pushing Legislation for 14th District on Capitol Hill](#)

- Traveling throughout the 14th District, businesses that are owned by employees have shown me first-hand how important ownership is to boosting a company's performance. Ownership encourages employees to put in extra effort to achieve great success, so they can earn the large upside that results when they perform well. This benefit also helps companies attract top talent, even if the company is just starting out. Unfortunately, some companies are shying away from offering employee ownership because of regulations that limit how much ownership they can safely offer. Last week, I introduced **H.R. 4571, the Encouraging Employee Ownership Act (EEOA) of 2014** to make it easier for hardworking employees to have a stake in the companies they work for every day.
- Education is the key to a better life and more opportunity, and the quality of a child's education shouldn't depend on his or her zip code. With strong bipartisan support, the House passed **H.R. 10, the Success and Opportunity through Quality Charter Schools Act**, by a vote of 360-45. H.R. 10 streamlines and modernizes the existing charter school programs and refocuses the new program to promote high-quality charter schools. Additionally, H.R. 10 allows states to use federal funds to start new charter schools and expand and replicate existing, high-performing charter schools.
- The House announced the formation of a **Select Committee on the Benghazi attacks** that claimed the lives of four Americans. The American people deserve nothing less than a full and thorough investigation, and I am pleased at the formation of a House Select Committee to investigate the causes of the attacks, the actions of administration officials before, during and after the attack, and what can be done in the future to prevent another tragedy like the one in Benghazi. I look forward to the results of the investigation.

[Taking the Heroin Community Action Plan to Congress](#)

I continued the fight to stop heroin and prescription opioid drug abuse by submitting the proposed community action plan to Rep. Tim Murphy (R-PA), Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Oversight and

**Survey**

**This month, the St. Charles school board passed a resolution to "request that elected State officials carefully review, question, and oppose legislation that provides further appropriations for the development, implementation, field testing, or administration of the Common Core Standards and the PARCC assessment program." Do you support their effort?**

 Yes No Not sure I don't know what Common Core is

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Investigations, which recently hosted a hearing, "Examining the Growing Problems of Prescription Drug and Heroin Abuse." I believe this plan can be used as a template for a community-based model that can be replicated across the country, and can assist the investigations of congressional committees into the growing problems of prescription drug and heroin abuse.

Please click [here](#) for the letter to Rep. Murphy.

View the community action plan at:  
<http://hultgren.house.gov/heroin>.

In addition, I joined with the Illinois delegation to send a letter to Attorney General Eric Holder to encourage the Department of Justice to mirror successful state drug programs at the federal level, including combating relapse and recidivism by providing defendants and inmates with evidence-based tools to help overcome addiction, thereby addressing a root cause of the problem.

#### Tackling Root Causes of Sex Slavery

Human trafficking is a fast-growing global criminal enterprise that generates \$32 billion annually and entraps millions of victims. Just this week, we have heard of girls in Africa being sold into slavery, but this problem extends even to our own backyards. This plague affects all of us, and the last thing we can do is ignore it.

In the U.S. Capitol this past week, I hosted a presentation for Members of Congress and staff on the root causes that fuel sex slavery, and what can be done to stop human trafficking.



Laila Mickelwait of Exodus Cry, an international anti-human trafficking organization, revealed evidence showing the destructive correlation between increased demand for prostitution and pornography, and an increase in the prevalence of sex slavery. In her presentation she emphasized the need for legislation that attacks these root causes of human trafficking.

I plan to introduce legislation in the coming weeks that addresses some of these root causes and will keep you updated on its progress. This is an issue close to my heart, and I have tried to make combating human trafficking a priority in Washington as a member of the Congressional Human Trafficking Caucus. This year, I was honored to be selected as a member of the Congressional Human Trafficking Task Force, formed by House Majority Leader Eric Cantor to bring Members of Congress together to produce legislation with the goal of combating international and domestic trafficking, while protecting and helping victims.

We cannot turn a blind eye to what's going on in the shadows. If we could save one child, one woman, one life, it would be worth it.

#### St. Charles Turns 180

The Pride of the Fox celebrates 180 years this May. Here's a speech I gave celebrating its many years of prosperity.

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If you haven't already, be sure to like my [Facebook page](#), follow me on Twitter ([@RepHultgren](#)), or check out my [YouTube page](#) to stay informed on everything I'm doing on your behalf in Washington and in Illinois.

As always, thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you.

In Your Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randy Hultgren".

*Randy Hultgren*  
Member of Congress  
14th District, Illinois

Bringing My Office to You

Wednesday, May 14, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Marengo City Hall  
132 E. Prairie Street  
Marengo, IL 60152

Monday, May 19, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Harvard Diggins Library  
900 East McKinley  
Harvard, IL 60033


Tuesday, May 20, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Plainfield Village Hall  
24401 W. Lockport Street  
Plainfield, IL 60544

Wednesday, May 21, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Sugar Grove Village Hall  
10 Municipal Drive  
Sugar Grove, IL 60554

Thursday, May 22, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Woodstock City Hall  
121 W. Calhoun Street  
Woodstock, IL 60098

Wednesday, May 28, 2014  
9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Antioch Village Hall  
874 Main Street  
Antioch, IL 60002

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