

2019 END OF YEAR REPORT



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From Congresswoman Haley Stevens

Dear Residents of Michigan's 11th Congressional District,

It has been the honor of a lifetime to represent you in the United States House of Representatives this year. I have been working hard to deliver for families in Michigan's 11th District by advocating for our manufacturing economy, fighting to lower the cost of healthcare, and providing first-rate constituent services out of my district headquarters in Livonia.

I have also sought to bring transparency and accountability to my duties as your federal representative, holding nearly 20 town halls, community conversations, and coffee hours all over Michigan's 11th District this year and responding to more than 40,000 messages from constituents.

In this report, you will find information on my legislative work, my outreach in Michigan, and a few highlights from my first year in Congress. I hope you will take a few minutes to learn more about what I have been up to in 2019.

I also want to hear from you! If you have a question, concern, or want to sign up for our e-newsletter, you will find everything you need to get in touch with our office on the last page of this report.

> Thank you for placing your trust in me. I look forward to another productive year serving you in Congress.

Sincerely,

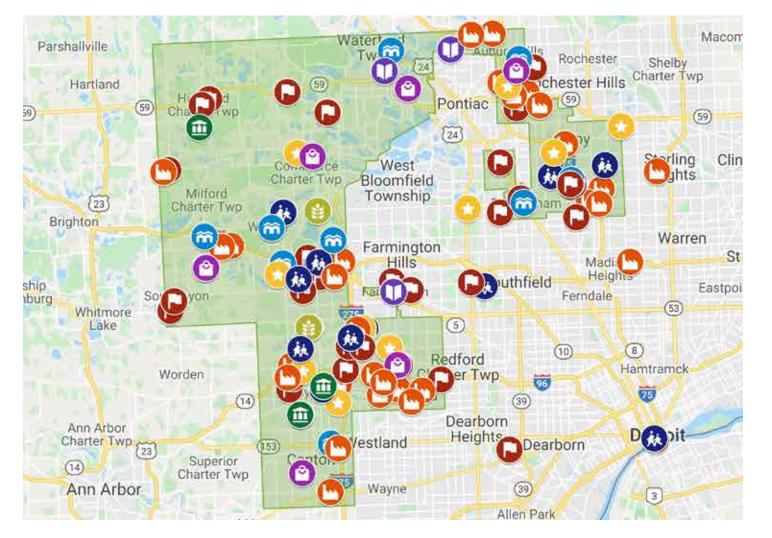
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2019 By the Numbers



Map of 2019 Events



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Community Conversation







From MI-11 Constituents

This year, Rep. Stevens has helped more than 500 constituents resolve issues with the federal government, from VA benefits to Social Security. Here is what a few Michiganders had to say after reaching out to Rep. Stevens' office for assistance:

"I greatly appreciated how guickly I was contacted by Congresswoman Stevens' staff and the efficient follow-up on all actions." - Constituent in Commerce Township

"I am very grateful to Congresswoman Stevens and her staff. And I want everyone to know this assistance is available. I believe this is government at work!" - Constituent in Waterford

> "We really appreciate the fast action that Congresswoman Stevens and her staff took in support of my mother's request." - Constituent in Livonia

"She accomplished in two weeks what we worked on for 4 months. We are very grateful to Congresswoman Stevens and her wonderful staff for their attentiveness and speed in which they successfully resolved our problem." - Constituent in Plymouth

"I was getting nowhere until Congresswoman Stevens' office got involved resulting in a successful resolution." - Constituent in Plymouth



Serving Michigan Families

When Rep. Haley Stevens was sworn into office on January 3rd, 2019, she pledged to listen, learn, and lead – in that order. During her first year in office, Rep. Stevens has delivered for families in Michigan's 11th District by bringing relentless energy and a passion for public service to her duties as a Member of Congress. Rep. Stevens is determined to put taxpayer dollars to work for the people she serves, and she has taken every opportunity to marshal the power of the federal government to help her constituents.

Rep. Stevens Returns More Than \$730,000 to Constituents in 2019

In 2019, Rep. Haley Stevens and her staff returned more than \$730,000 to the people of Michigan's 11th District through federal casework. "I ran for Congress to make the federal government work for the people of Southeast Michigan, which is why my office is laser-focused on helping constituents cut through the bureaucracy and red tape. Michiganders are looking for solution-oriented, pragmatic, transparent, and accountable leadership, and I will keep working to provide just that."



Rep. Stevens Prioritizes the Beck Road Improvement Corridor

In a Detroit News op-ed, Rep. Haley Stevens explained why the Beck Road Improvement Corridor is so important to families and businesses in Michigan's 11th District. "Beck Road is a decades-old, undersized three-lane stretch of road. Since 2011, the local community in Wixom has sought to expand this to five lanes to improve traffic flow and safety for drivers and pedestrians alike," wrote Rep. Haley Stevens. "Yet, municipal leaders in the area tell me that numerous attempts to receive federal support from the U.S. Department of Transportation have been denied at every turn. Notably, of the \$7.1 billion that has been doled out nationally for projects of this nature over the last decade, projects in Michigan's 11th District have received a whopping \$0. With all the incredible economic output and manufacturing innovation taking place in our region, this cannot stand. I've taken my message right to the top by inviting the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Elaine Chao, to come see the Beck Road Improvement Corridor firsthand." (The Detroit News, 9/11/19)

Rep. Stevens Helps Commerce Township Fire Department Win \$1.3 Million Grant

Rep. Haley Stevens helped the Commerce Township Fire Department win a \$1.3 million grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant provides funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter organizations to help them increase or maintain the number of trained, frontline firefighters in a community. This grant funding will be used to hire eight new firefighters



in Commerce Township, allowing the Fire Department to fully staff each of their four stations at all times. (*The Spinal Column*, 10/2/19)

Rep. Stevens Uses Appropriations Process to Secure Funding for Michigan Priorities

Rep. Haley Stevens effectively leveraged the annual appropriations process to secure funding for several programs that will benefit Michigan's 11th District, like the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Manufacturing Extension Partnership program, the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and the National Science Foundation's Advanced Technological Education program. Rep. Stevens also passed two amendments during the appropriations process to allocate more resources to adequately enforce our nation's animal cruelty laws and develop a national recycling strategy to ensure the long-term economic and environmental viability of local recycling programs. (Rep. Stevens, 6/26/19)

Rep. Stevens Helps Launch House PFAS Task Force, Introduces Bill to Research PFAS Air Contamination

Rep. Haley Stevens helped launch a new bipartisan task force devoted to PFAS issues, leading to the introduction of several bills related to toxic PFAS contamination, including a bill from Rep. Stevens that would require the Environmental Protection Agency to list PFAS as a hazardous air pollutant under the Clean Air Act. PFAS refers to a large class of chemicals known as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances used to make furniture, paper packaging for food and cookware resistant to water, grease or stains. The chemicals are linked to health effects including certain cancers and damage to liver and immunity functions, developmental impacts on fetuses,

as well as cognitive and behavioral effects in exposed children. A recent report by the Environmental Working Group found that Michigan has the highest number of PFAS sites in the nation. (*The Detroit News*, 1/24/19; *The Detroit News*, 5/14/19)

Rep. Stevens Hosts Roundtable Discussion with Voting Rights Experts, Farmington Students

In April, Rep. Haley Stevens held a roundtable discussion with Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson, Voters Not Politicians Executive Director Nancy Wang and American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Michigan voting rights strategist Sharon Dolente. This panel of public officials and voting rights experts was joined by students from Farmington Public Schools. During the event, Rep. Stevens touted her support for the Voting Rights Advancement Act, a bill to restore voting rights protections. The panel also outlined the changes made by two ballot proposals approved by Michigan voters in 2018 to expand voting rights and establish a nonpartisan redistricting commission. (*Michigan Advance*, 4/23/19)

Rep. Stevens Honors Vietnam Veterans during Commemoration Ceremony

In October, Rep. Haley Stevens presented eight Vietnam veterans from her district with Vietnam Veteran lapel pins during a commemorative ceremony at the Novi Public Library. "Too many Vietnam era veterans never received the gratitude they deserve for their sacrifice and service to our country," said Rep. Stevens. "It was an honor to host this Commemoration Ceremony to recognize Vietnam era veterans in Michigan's 11th District and present them with a special lapel pin as a symbol of our profound appreciation for their bravery and selflessness." Veterans interested in attending future ceremonies should contact Rep. Stevens' Livonia office at (734) 853-3040. (Rep. Stevens, 10/28/19)

Making Healthcare More Affordable

During her first year in office, Rep. Haley Stevens has made lowering healthcare costs a major priority. She cast her very first vote in Congress to protect the Affordable Care Act and has since voted to pass several bills to protect and expand access to healthcare and lower prescription drug costs. Rep. Stevens has also introduced her own legislation to protect patients from surprise medical bills and strengthen the Medicare Part D enrollment process for low-income seniors.



Rep. Stevens Passes Bill to Reduce Prescription Drug Costs for Low-Income Seniors

"The exorbitant cost of prescription drugs is forcing countless families in my district to make the impossible choice between taking care of their health and putting food on the table,' Rep. Haley Stevens said. 'We cannot tolerate a system that is causing three in ten adults to not take their medication as prescribed due to high costs.' Stevens (D-Rochester Hills) introduced H.R. 4669 in an effort to curb prescription drug prices and clear up the Medicare enrollment process. The bill, titled Maximizing Drug Coverage for Low-Income Seniors Act, is designed to lower the cost of prescription drugs that Medicare beneficiaries struggle to pay for." The bill passed the House of Representatives in December. (*WJBK-TV*, 10/15/19)



Rep. Stevens Introduces Bill to Protect Patients from Surprise Medical Bills

Rep. Haley Stevens introduced legislation to protect Americans from surprise medical bills. The legislation requires insurance companies to regularly update provider directories to prevent patients from unknowingly receiving out-of-network care. "Too many middle-class families in Michigan are facing financial ruin from unexpected and expensive medical bills," said Rep. Stevens. "The UPDATE Act will help protect families from surprise bills by preventing patients from being charged for out-of-network care due to outof-date insurance directories. Insurance companies have an obligation to ensure their networks are up-todate so that patients can make informed healthcare decisions for themselves and their families, without going bankrupt." (Rep. Stevens, 9/19/19)



Rep. Stevens Backs Legislation to Protect Michiganders with Pre-Existing Conditions & Strengthen the Affordable Care Act

Rep. Haley Stevens co-sponsored sweeping new healthcare legislation that will lower Michiganders' health insurance premiums, crack down on junk health insurance plans, and strengthen protections for people with pre-existing conditions. "From day one, we have been fighting against this Administration's efforts to undermine access to affordable healthcare and protections for people with pre-existing conditions by working to advance new legislation to lower health costs and prescription drug prices for all Americans," said Congresswoman Haley Stevens. "With the Protecting Pre-Existing Conditions & Making Healthcare Affordable Act, the House of Representatives is taking another step forward to meet our promise to lower health costs for the American people." (Rep. Stevens, 3/27/19)

Rep. Stevens Joins Effort to Protect Women's Access to Healthcare

Rep. Haley Stevens is a co-sponsor of the Women's Health Protection Act, a federal bill to protect access to reproductive health services by creating safeguards against harmful restrictions that threaten women's access to needed care. "The constitutional rights of women to make their own decisions about their health are being threatened across the country," said Rep. Haley Stevens. "The Women's Health Protection Act is a necessary step to protect women's access to the healthcare they need, and I am proud to sign on to this legislation as a co-sponsor." Rep. Stevens also joined the Black Maternal Health Caucus, a group of lawmakers working to raise awareness about the black maternal health crisis and advance policy solutions to improve maternal health outcomes and address disparities.

Rep. Stevens Votes for Sweeping Legislation to Lower Drug Prices

In December, Rep. Haley Stevens voted to pass the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, a landmark bill that finally gives Medicare the power to negotiate for lower drug prices. The historic proposal would reduce prescription drug prices by up to 55% while saving taxpayers nearly \$500 billion over the next 10 years, while making major investments in Medicare and research into new cures and treatments. "Families in Michigan's 11th District are facing skyrocketing prescription drug prices, forcing many to choose between their medications and putting food on the table or meeting other basic needs," said Congresswoman Stevens. "That is unacceptable, and it's why I pledged to make this issue one of my top priorities this year. H.R. 3 delivers on that promise, saving hundreds of billions of dollars for taxpayers and bringing down the cost of prescription drugs."

Working For Our Economy

A former manufacturing executive and Obama Administration official who helped set up the White House Office of Manufacturing Policy, Rep. Haley Stevens knows that manufacturing is the backbone of Michigan's economy. In Congress, Rep. Stevens has emerged as one of Washington's leading advocates for the manufacturing sector. She has convened hearings on advanced manufacturing, passed bipartisan legislation to strengthen domestic manufacturing, helped secure federal grant funding for the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center, and visited dozens of manufacturing facilities in Southeast Michigan through her Manufacturing Monday initiative.

Rep. Stevens Launches Manufacturing Monday Initiative

Rep. Haley Stevens launched a Manufacturing Monday initiative, visiting dozens of manufacturing facilities, job training centers, and other local businesses to learn more about the people and products that power Southeast Michigan's regional economy. Rep. Stevens has met with dozens of manufacturers in Michigan and D.C. since taking office in January, emerging as a key advocate for manufacturers in the halls of Congress. (Wall Street Journal, 5/31/19).





Rep. Stevens Passes the American Manufacturing Leadership Act to Strengthen Advanced Manufacturing Workforce Development

The U.S. House of Representatives passed the American Manufacturing Leadership Act, Rep. Haley Stevens' bipartisan bill to boost the manufacturing sector in Michigan and around the country by strengthening our nation's largest investment in advanced manufacturing - the Manufacturing USA Program. "This bill will ensure that the Manufacturing USA program can continue to contribute to the growth of our domestic advanced manufacturing industry and an advanced manufacturing workforce to fill the high-skills jobs of the future," said Rep. Haley Stevens. With bipartisan support in the U.S. Senate, the American Manufacturing Leadership Act is on track to become law in the coming weeks." (Rep. Stevens, 7/23/19)



Rep. Stevens Announces \$1.07 Million Cybersecurity Award to Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center

Rep. Haley Stevens announced that the Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is investing over \$1 million in the Plymouth-based Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center to lead a national project to assist defense contractors in implementing cybersecurity protections needed to safeguard information being handled in defense manufacturing supply chains. "Cybersecurity attacks are an increasingly significant threat to all types and sizes of companies, and we need to take quick action to keep the United States at the forefront of global innovation," said Rep. Stevens. "The valuable work that the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center does to help small and medium manufacturers keep their businesses secure and successful through technology and planning deserves to be continued and expanded." (Crain's Detroit News, 8/9/19)

House Unanimously Adopts Rep. Stevens' Amendment to Help Manufacturers Strengthen Cybersecurity

Rep. Haley Stevens spearheaded an amendment to the FY2020 National Defense Authorization Act requiring the Department of Defense, in consultation with the Manufacturing Extension Partnership program, to develop policies to assist small- and mid-sized manufacturers to meet cybersecurity requirements. "With recent reports warning that the federal government is vulnerable to cyberattacks, it's clear that we need to start taking cybersecurity more seriously," said Rep. Haley Stevens. "No one is better positioned than the experts at Manufacturing Extension Partnership Centers around the country to help manufacturers adopt robust cybersecurity standards. I look forward to working with the Manufacturing Extension Partnership Centers, especially the outstanding Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center in Michigan's 11th District who has been leading the way on this issue. It's time to safeguard our Department of Defense supply chain from cyberattacks." (Rep. Stevens, 7/12/19)



Expanding Opportunity

Rep. Haley Stevens is a passionate advocate for Southeast Michigan's regional economy and best-inclass workforce. Through her work on the House Education and Labor Committee and the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee, she has focused on skills training, workforce development, and STEM education initiatives that will help every Michigander get the skills they need to land a goodpaying job. She has also pushed for bipartisan legislation to help small businesses and brought national attention to Michigan's booming innovation economy.

Rep. Stevens' Bill to Encourage Girls in Science, Math Passes House

Rep. Haley Stevens won passage of a bipartisan bill to better support efforts to get preschool and elementary school girls involved in science, math and technology. "Women and girls everywhere need to know that they can succeed in the STEM fields and that our country and our economy won't succeed without them," said Rep. Haley Stevens, who worked in the Obama White House for his Auto Task Force and later led an effort to expose students to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) skills. The final version of the Building Blocks of STEM Act was officially approved by both the House and Senate in December, and the President is expected to sign it into law by the end of 2019. (Detroit Free Press, 7/24/19)

Rep. Stevens Convenes Science Committee Field Hearing on Smart Mobility Tech

House Science Research and Technology Subcommittee Chairwoman Haley Stevens held a bipartisan field hearing in Livonia to explore the use of smart technology to improve the ability of small towns and suburban communities to provide safe and efficient mobility options. Chairwoman Stevens' subcommittee heard from experts from Michigan and across the nation on best practices for integrating this technology into our communities. "Recent developments in connected and autonomous vehicles, combined with increasing computing power and travel data, have enabled rapid advances in regional planning and mobility," said Congresswoman Stevens. "Smart technologies have already begun to shape how Americans move around and live. They are being used to reduce traffic congestion and cut emissions. Southeast Michigan has been on the forefront of innovation in this space with our industry leaders and best-in-class workforce,

so it's only fitting that we lead the discussion on how this technology can be made more effective through collaboration between public, private, and academic stakeholders." (*The Oakland Press*, 10/25/19)

Rep. Stevens Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Improve Small Business Innovation and Technology Grant Programs

Rep. Haley Stevens introduced bipartisan legislation to strengthen two programs, the Small Business Innovation Research program and Small Business Technology Transfer program, that provide competitive funding opportunities encouraging small businesses to take risks and pursue innovative research for technology commercialization. "These small business grant programs have helped entrepreneurs in Michigan pursue their big ideas and contribute to our thriving innovation economy. In 2018, small businesses in Michigan's 11th District received \$2.3 million through these programs to develop an amazing array of new



technologies. The Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Improvements Act will make these programs even stronger by increasing accountability, prioritizing cybersecurity, and promoting diversity among grant award recipients," said Rep. Haley Stevens. (Rep. Haley Stevens, 7/17/19)

House Passes Stevens-Backed Legislation to Improve Diversity in STEM

In September, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the STEM Opportunities Act, a bill to require the development and implementation of strategies that promote the progress of underrepresented groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. Rep. Stevens was one of the first Members of Congress to co-sponsor the bipartisan proposal, and she was a strong advocate for its swift passage through the Science Committee and the full House of Representatives. "As a passionate advocate for women and girls in STEM, I am so glad to support legislation like the STEM Opportunities Act," said Congresswoman Stevens. "For too long, a career in STEM has felt unattainable for women, minorities, and other underrepresented groups. We must work to develop a diverse, inclusive STEM workforce that will help us compete in the global economy by cultivating talent from a wide range of backgrounds." (Rep. Stevens, 6/20/19)

Rep. Stevens Named Co-Chair of the Future of Work Task Force

In March, Rep. Haley Stevens was named Co-Chair of the Future of Work Task Force, a group of lawmakers tasked with ensuring that all Americans have the opportunity to succeed, seek to close the skills and opportunity gaps, modernize the social safety net and benefits systems for the 21st century, and empower workers and entrepreneurs. As someone who worked in a manufacturing research lab focused on the future of work in the digital age, promoting innovation and modernization for the 21st century economy is exactly why I ran for Congress," said Rep. Haley Stevens. (*Roll Call*, 2/1/19)

Rep. Stevens Pushes for College Affordability and Bipartisan Proposals to Help Students Avoid and Get Out of Debt

Rep. Haley Stevens introduced a package of bills to address the student loan debt crisis, including bipartisan proposals to give the Education Department tools to identify and shut down student debt relief scams that target student borrowers and parents, and provide relief to borrowers who previously consolidated their student loan debt, including victims of domestic or economic abuse. "Americans have \$1.6 trillion in student debt, and Michiganders owe an average of \$31,000. This is not sustainable, and it's stifling economic growth. These bills are practical steps we can take to help student loan borrowers in Michigan pay down their debt and boost our economy," said Rep. Haley Stevens. Rep. Stevens also voted to advance the College Affordability Act, which would strengthen the Pell Grant program, incentivize states to reinvest in higher education, and expand dual enrollment programs to help high school students get college credit. (Michigan Advance, 7/24/19)

Rep. Stevens Pushes for More Funding for Technical Education Programs

Rep. Haley Stevens passed an amendment through the House Education and Labor Committee to authorize additional funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. These programs support entities that partner with secondary schools, CTE schools, fouryear institutions, and workforce development systems to expand career pathways for students. Rep. Stevens also secured continued funding for the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program, which is funded by the National Science Foundation to support two-year community colleges with the education of technicians for next generation technologies. The ATE program has awarded grants to several academic institutions in Michigan including Oakland Community College. (Oakland Press, 4/5/2019; Rep. Stevens, 10/31/19)

Transparent and Accountable



Rep. Stevens Completes Tour of Every Municipality in Michigan's 11th District

In August and September, Rep. Haley Stevens embarked on a 24-town, 24-day tour of Michigan's 11th Congressional District. During the tour of every municipality in her district, Rep. Stevens held town halls and coffee hours, visited libraries and farmers markets, toured local businesses, and met with municipal leaders. (*The Oakland Press*, 8/15/19)

Rep. Stevens Releases Interactive Map of Official Events

Rep. Haley Stevens released an interactive map online which displays all her official events in and around Michigan's 11th District since taking office. "Families in Michigan's 11th District deserve elected officials that will meet them where they are to learn more about their communities and the issues that matter to them. That's why I've made it a priority to visit every corner of the 11th District for coffee hours, town halls, roundtables, and Manufacturing Monday events," said Rep. Stevens. (Rep. Stevens, 4/25/19)

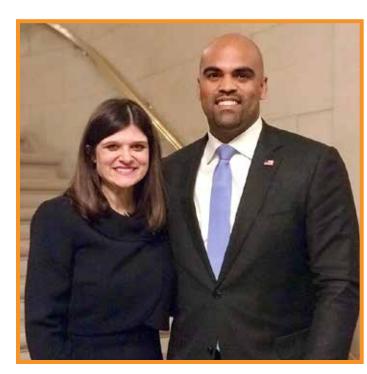
Rep. Stevens Convenes In-District Discussions on Veterans Issues, Voting Rights, Electric Vehicles, Healthcare, and Education

Rep. Haley Stevens has convened panels of experts to discuss important issues and work toward policy solutions. In April, Rep. Stevens brought Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson, Voters Not Politicians Executive Director Nancy Wang, and ACLU of Michigan Voting Rights Strategist Sharon Dolente together with a group of AP Government students from Farmington. In May, Rep. Stevens convened her Veterans Advisory Committee to learn more about the issues facing veterans and their families in Michigan's 11th Congressional District. She has also convened expert panels to discuss healthcare, education, and electric vehicles at public town hall meetings. (Rep. Stevens, 5/31/19; Rep. Stevens, 4/23/19; Rep. Stevens, 8/29/19; *The Oakland Press*, 4/17/19)



Rep. Stevens Recognized as a "Standout Freshman" by the Town Hall Project

The Town Hall Project, an organization that tracks public events hosted by federal elected officials, recognized Rep. Haley Stevens as a "Standout Freshman" for ranking among the top 10 Democratic freshmen in terms of the number of town halls and other public events held in 2019. Quorum Analytics, and organization that analyzes social media activity and legislative data, ranked Rep. Haley Stevens among the most active House freshman on Twitter and Facebook. (*Town Hall Project*, 10/11/19; *Quorum Analytics*, 8/20/19)





Rep. Stevens Elected Co-President of the Largest Freshman Class in a Generation

Alongside Rep. Colin Allred of Texas, Rep. Haley Stevens serves as the Co-President of the biggest class of freshman House Democrats in more than 40 years, and the most diverse group to ever serve in the U.S. House of Representatives. In this role, she has convened the freshman class for various events and helped other new lawmakers develop and implement best practices to improve constituent services, office functionality, and legislative work. Serving as Co-President of the freshman class gives Rep. Stevens more opportunities to discuss the needs of her district with key members of Congressional leadership. (*The Oakland Press*, 12/9/18)





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