



TURKISH AMERICAN COALITION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

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Introduction

Önsöz

The true strength of a community lies not only in its numbers but in the determination of people united by a common goal. At TAC PAC, we embarked on a journey to make the voice of the Turkish-American community more straightforward, stronger, and more effective in Washington. Looking back today, we see that this journey is not just about political activity, but also about responsibility, representation, and building a future.

This past year has clearly demonstrated what can be achieved through collective action and shared vision. Our work, extending from the corridors of Congress to local communities, has brought the honor, realities, and legitimate interests of the Turkish world to the heart of American democracy. Each of these achievements reflects the collective effort of every donor, every volunteer, and every supporter.

TAC PAC is not merely a political organization; it is a bridge in the civil sphere between two long-standing allies, Türkiye and the United States. A strong Turkish-American community not only defends its own rights but also helps deepen cooperation between the two countries across a wide range of areas, from NATO and trade to energy and security. By increasing the effectiveness of the Turkish-American community in Washington, we are helping build this partnership on a firmer foundation of mutual respect, truth, and shared interests.

Every activity featured in this magazine represents not only the work accomplished but also the rise of a community with self-confidence, a voice, and ownership of its future. Being a part of the TAC PAC family means investing not only in today but also in the Turkish-American generations of tomorrow.

We thank everyone who walks this path with us and proudly share our belief that together we will be stronger, more visible, and more effective.

Bir topluluğun gerçek gücü, yalnızca sayılarında değil; ortak bir hedefe inanmış insanların kararlılığında saklıdır. TAC PAC olarak bizler, Türk-Amerikan toplumunun sesini Washington'da daha net, daha güçlü ve daha etkili kılmak için yola çıktık. Bugün geriye dönüp baktığımızda, bu yolculuğun yalnızca bir siyasi faaliyet değil, aynı zamanda bir sorumluluk, temsil ve gelecek inşası olduğunu görüyoruz.

Geride bıraktığımız bu yıl, birlikte hareket etmenin ve ortak aklın neler başarabileceğini açıkça ortaya koydu. Kongre koridorlarından yerel topluluklara uzanan çalışmalarımız, Türk dünyasının onurunu, gerçeklerini ve meşru çıkarlarını Amerikan demokrasisinin merkezine taşıdı. Bu başarıların her biri, katkı sunan her bağışçının, her gönüllünün ve her destekçinin ortak emeğinin bir yansımasıdır.

TAC PAC yalnızca bir siyasi yapı değil; iki köklü müttefik ülke olan Türkiye ve Amerika Birleşik Devletleri arasındaki stratejik ilişkinin sivil alandaki köprüsüdür. Güçlü bir Türk-Amerikan toplumu, yalnızca kendi haklarını savunmakla kalmaz; aynı zamanda NATO'dan ticarete, enerjiden güvenliğe kadar uzanan geniş bir yelpazede iki ülke arasındaki iş birliğinin derinleşmesine katkı sağlar. Bizler, Türk-Amerikan toplumunun Washington'daki etkinliğini artırarak, bu ortaklığın karşılıklı saygı, gerçekler ve ortak çıkarlar temelinde daha sağlam bir zemine oturmasına hizmet ediyoruz.

Bu dergide yer alan her faaliyet, sadece yapılan işleri değil; aynı zamanda bir topluluğun özgüvenle ayağa kalkışını, sesini buluşunu ve geleceğini sahiplenişini temsil ediyor. TAC PAC ailesinin bir parçası olmak, yalnızca bugüne değil, yarının Türk-Amerikan nesillerine de yatırım yapmaktır.

Bu yolda bizimle yürüyen herkese teşekkür ediyor; birlikte daha güçlü, daha görünür ve daha etkili olacağımıza olan inancımızı gururla paylaşıyoruz.

CONGRESSMAN PETE SESSIONS

TEXAS DISTRICT 17



Turkish Americans have met and had a very effective exchange of views with Congressman Pete Sessions from Texas. His passion for improving relations between the USA and Türkiye is admirable! He is a fighter for American rights and values. He also understands what a valuable ally Türkiye is.

Escalating costs and rising expenses in daily life.

Inflationary pressures are being felt across various sectors, including housing, transportation, and food.

The recent surge in unauthorized border crossings has put a strain on local resources.

Finding a balance between maintaining border security and addressing humanitarian concerns is crucial for developing effective immigration policies, including an expedited and easier sponsorship process to add them into the workforce effectively and safely.

CONGRESSMAN PAT HARRIGAN

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 10



Rep. Harrigan has a deep understanding of Turkish Americans' interests in the region.

He sees Türkiye as a great asset and is dedicated to working tirelessly to promote bilateral understanding.

- A group of Turkish Americans from different states congratulated him on his election and discussed the issues listed below.
- Not mandating a set minimum wage amount throughout the US. Leaving that decision to the states.
- The Congressman noted that the relationship between Türkiye and the USA is built on shared mutual respect and a commitment to cooperation.
- The Congressman stressed that Türkiye is a critical ally for the United States, given its unique position bridging Europe and the Middle East.
- The congressman highlighted how surging international demand for critical raw materials is straining supply chains and impacting the defense industry.
- The US Government must promote legal pathways for immigration while also taking measures to prevent unauthorized entry.



CONGRESSMAN LANCE GOODEN

TEXAS DISTRICT 5

Congressman Lance Gooden has been a tireless advocate for Turkish-American relations, working to strengthen ties between the two nations. Turkish Americans congratulated Representative Gooden on his re-election. He has been serving in Congress since 2019. Turkish Americans and Congressman Gooden have pledged to reconvene and continue working together to strengthen Turkish-American relations and foster greater understanding between the two nations.



CONGRESSMAN **STEVE COHEN**

TENNESSEE DISTRICT 9



Steve Cohen has been serving as the U.S. representative from Tennessee's 9th congressional district since 2007. He is the only Congress member of Turkish descent.

Cohen is Tennessee's first Jewish congressman. Since 2023, Cohen has been the only Democrat in Tennessee's congressional delegation.

CONGRESSMAN JAKE AUCHINCLOSS

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT 4



Congressman Jake Auchincloss and Turkish Americans in the New England region got together and talked about the issues listed below;

■ Illegal Immigration

■ Housing Problems

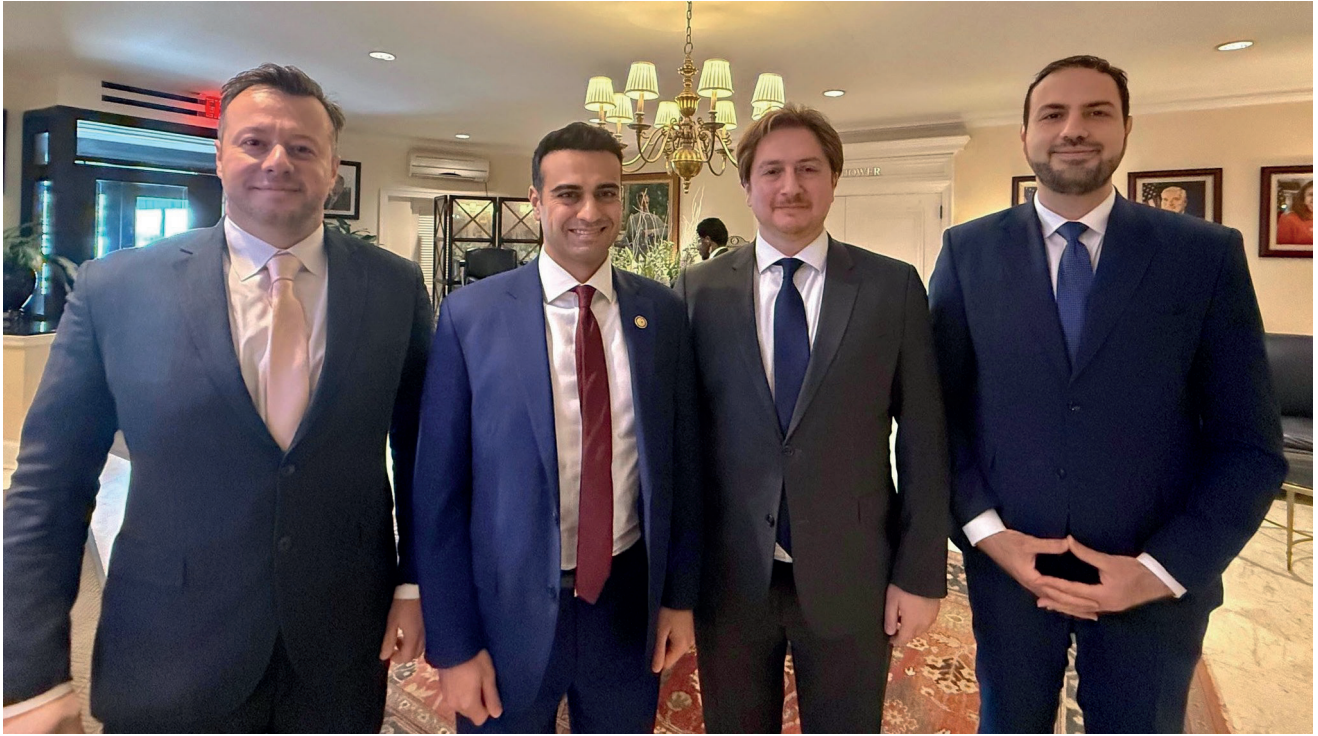
■ Closed Armenian Archives located in his district Newton, Massachusetts

■ Economy



CONGRESSMAN **ABRAHAM HAMADEH**

ARIZONA DISTRICT 8



We had the opportunity to come together with newly elected Representative Abraham Hamadeh to discuss issues of significance to our community in Arizona. We look forward to maintaining an open dialogue on matters that advance the principle of putting America first, prioritizing the interests of American and strengthening the nation's security and improving Turkish American relations in the region. The congressman's parents are from Syria.

CONGRESSMAN **PETE SESSIONS**

TEXAS DISTRICT 17

DAY 1



Texas Congressman Pete Sessions visited Boston, Massachusetts, and got together with 45 Turkish American entrepreneurs, business owners, professors, investors, lawyers, and doctors.

It was a delightful visit. Turkish Americans in New England from CT, RI, NH, and MA had a chance to talk about their concerns such as the economy, politics, immigration, foreign relations, visa issues in Türkiye, and many more domestic matters.



Congressman Sessions has been a staunch supporter of Türkiye and fully appreciates its importance as an ally in the critical region of the world.

He is aware of both sides of the issues in the Caucasus and Cyprus, is well-informed about ethnic interactions, and has a balanced view.

He is currently the co-chair of DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency) and works closely with President Trump and Elon Musk.



CONGRESSMAN PETE SESSIONS

TEXAS DISTRICT 17

DAY 2

Congressman Sessions visited 4 Turkish American-owned businesses in Massachusetts.





Congressman Sessions Recorded a video in one of these businesses and sent that video to President Donald J. Trump, praising Turkish Americans and our contribution to the USA.

CONGRESSMAN GABE AMO

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT 1



Rhode Island (RI) Turkish Americans met with Congressman Gabe Amo. Representative Amo, recently elected to Congress, is on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, focusing on Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa. Discussions centered on topics that concern everyone, such as inflation, healthcare, and small business issues.

Congressman Amo enjoyed the Turkish tea and the pleasant exchanges. In the spring, the RI group plans to visit his office in Washington. Building good relations with Congressional members representing the Turkish American communities throughout the U.S. is crucial for good communication.

The RI Turkish American community has not interacted much with its legislators in the past, so this is a very encouraging development.



CONGRESSMAN LANCE GOODEN

TEXAS DISTRICT 5

Congressman Lance Gooden had met the Turkish Americans as a group and Chairman Melih Bektas met with the Congressman individually several times to strengthen ties. In this year, there were four meetings.



CONGRESSMAN **AUGUST PFLUGER**

TEXAS DISTRICT 11

Chairman Melih Bektas has joined the NRCC (National Republican Congressional Committee) in Florida and have met with Congressman August Pfluger.

■ He was a F-22 Raptor pilot in various regions and currently the Chairman of RSC (Republican Study Committee) which has 147 members of the Congress.



CONGRESSMAN **JOE WILSON**

SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 2

Congressman Joe Wilson (SC-2) is a senior member of the US Congress. He also serves in House Foreign Affairs and Armed Services committees and co-chair of the Türkiye Caucus. He is very familiar with Türkiye's role in NATO in that volatile region, with the second-largest army in NATO. He supports and values the good relations between the two countries.



Chairman Bektas had ample opportunity to meet with senior Congressman Joe Wilson on several occasions. He introduced Melih Bektas to Speaker of the House Mike Johnson. Chairman Bektas and Speaker Johnson had a productive, candid conversation during NRCC meetings in Florida.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE **ELLEN REED**

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Chairman Bektas and Turkish Americans had a meeting with the New Hampshire State Representative Ellen Reed, who agreed to remove the misleading term “Armenian genocide” from the recent resolution. Rep. Reed was provided with educational material and books on the related topic. The Turkish American community thanks Rep. Reed for her open-mindedness and fair judgment on this critical issue.



CONGRESSMAN **AARON BEAN**

FLORIDA DISTRICT 4



Had a productive meeting with Florida Congressman Aaron Bean, Co-Chair of the DOGE Caucus. The group discussed the critical importance of maintaining a strong and strategic relationship between two strong NATO allies, the US and the Republic of Türkiye, especially given the ongoing instability in key region. Our group also touched on shared security interests, regional cooperation, and the value of continued U.S.-Türkiye dialogue.

Chairman Bektas have met with Congressman Aaron Bean before in his district. Aaron Bean is open for dialogue as it was mentioned and invited to Turkish American Caucus.



CONGRESSMAN **ZACH NUNN**

IOWA DISTRICT 3



TAC- PAC Chairman Melih Bektas and DATUB USA President Shuhrat Temirov have met with Congressman Zach Nunn in Washington, DC.

Zach served for almost two decades in the United States Air Force. As an airborne intelligence officer, Zach flew recon missions off the coasts of Russia and China. The Turkish Americans have warm relations with Congressman Zach Nunn. Chairman Bektas has met and talked with Congressman Nunn on multiple occasions. We are looking forward to events in Chicago and Iowa in the near future for further closer relations.

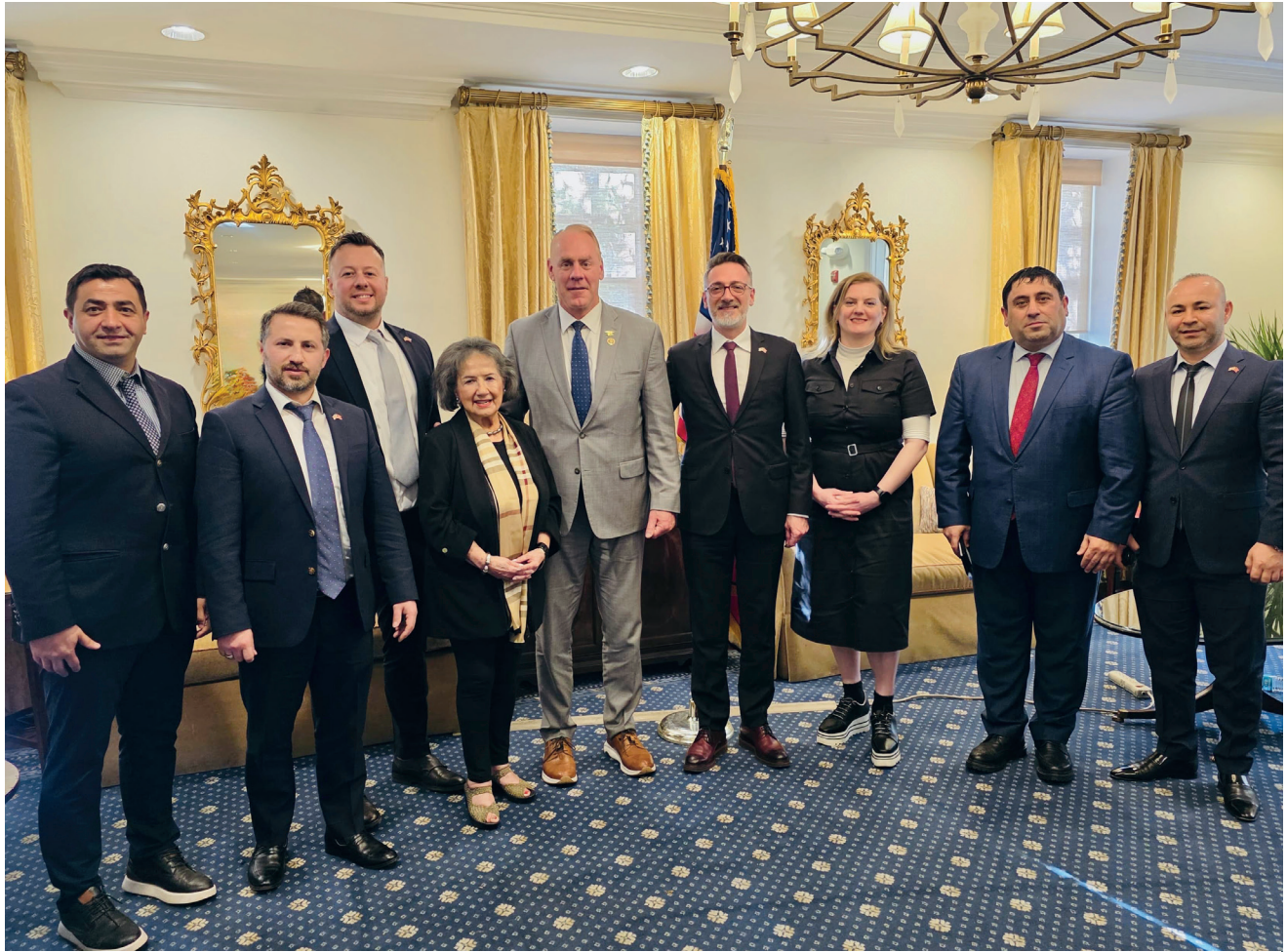
■ He is also on National Security subcommittee.



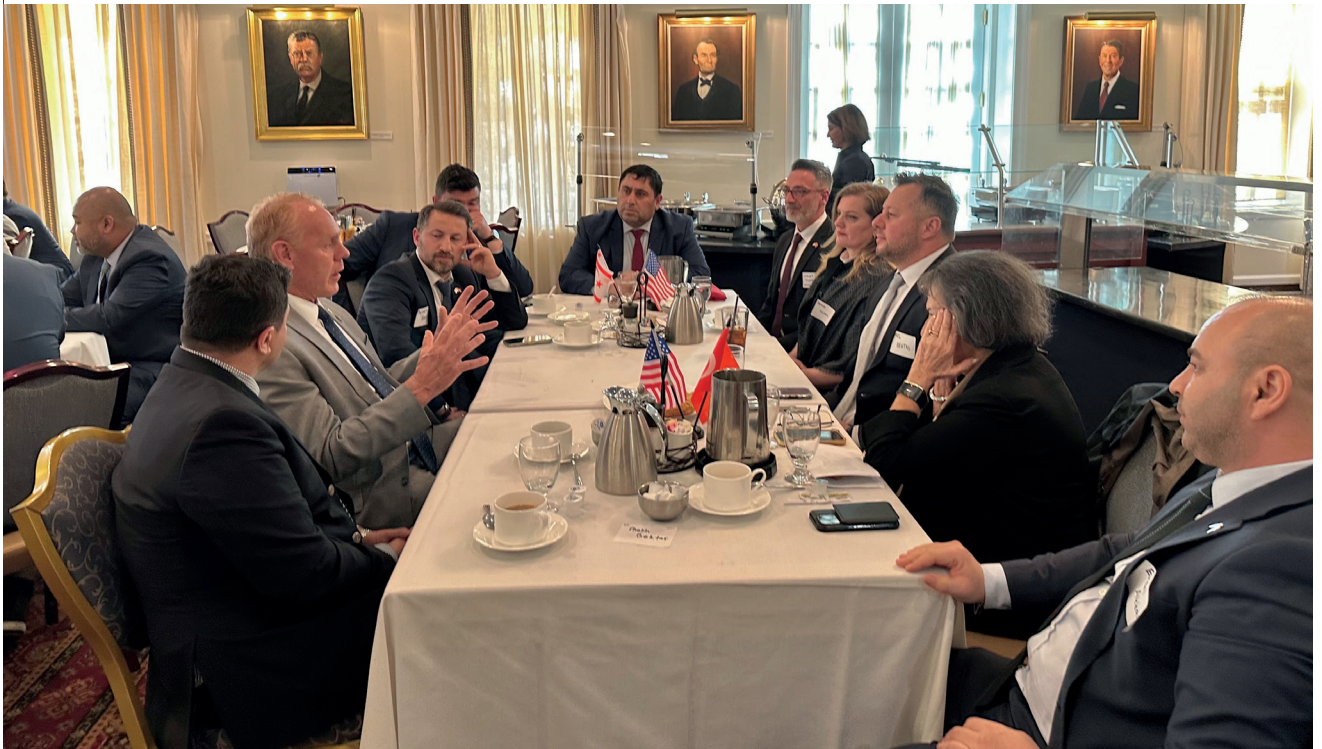
Congressman Zach Nun & TAC PAC Chairman Melih Bektas

CONGRESSMAN RYAN ZINKE

MONTANA DISTRICT 1



Turkish Americans met with Congressman Ryan Zinke a member of the Subcommittee on Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, for an hour to discuss top priority issues related to the US and Turkiye. Congressman Zinke supports Turkiye's concerns about the ongoing Syria border terrorism problems and thinks there may be a political resolution to the problem with the new administration. Congressman Zinke praised the Turkish military's discipline and strength, which he witnessed during his contacts with them. We thank the Congressman for his honest assessment, and advice on the US-Turkiye relations, and for his warm and friendly attitude during the meeting. In our meeting, he has been invited to the TRNC. He said, yes.



CONGRESSMAN **TONY GONZALES**

TEXAS DISTRICT 23



Turkish Americans had a meeting with Congressman Tony Gonzales, who serves on the House Appropriations and Homeland Security committees. The issues discussed were border security, a problem for both countries, and Turkiye's geographical location and military role in NATO. Even though his focus is the Pacific, Congressman Gonzales showed much interest in getting to know Turkiye better, understanding regional politics, and visiting the country, which indicated the increasing political and military importance of Turkiye in international affairs.

He wants to visit Turkiye and might join the Turkish American Caucus.



CONGRESSMAN **NICK BEGICH**

ALASKA AT LARGE



Chairman Bektas engaged in in-depth discussions on U.S. security, with particular focus on the State of Alaska and its proximity to Russia. Congressman Nick Begich recognizes NATO's importance in addressing Russian aggression and is a strong supporter of Türkiye. His Croatian background provides him with insights into Eastern Europe. Representative Begich's views on NATO and related matters generally align with the Republican perspective, emphasizing fiscal responsibility and a more cautious approach to foreign aid.

CONGRESSMAN SUHAS SUBRAMANYAM

VIRGINIA DISTRICT 10



Turkish Americans met with Suhas Subramanyam (VA-10)

Information was given to the Congressman about how the highly prejudicial and biased HR 2585 in the US education system would hurt the Turkish American children, promote hate and discord among the ethnic groups. The claims of HR 2585 are also not based on historical facts. Subramanyam is the Ranking Member of the Oversight Subcommittee on Military and Foreign Affairs.

We like to thank our Ahiskan Turkish American friends for joined these visits. Especially DATUB President Shuhrat Temirov who is also TAC PAC Board member

CONGRESSMAN SETH MAGAZINER

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT 2



Turkish Americans in Rhode Island recently had the opportunity to meet with Congressman Seth Magaziner. A newly elected member of Congress, Representative Magaziner serves on both the Natural Resources Committee and the Committee on Homeland Security, where he holds the role of Ranking Member on the Subcommittee for Counterterrorism, Intelligence, and Law Enforcement.

■ The discussion covered important topics such as the economy, education, healthcare, and the challenges facing small businesses. Congressman Magaziner also had the chance to enjoy some Turkish tea during the meeting.

This gathering marks a significant step in fostering stronger ties between the Turkish American community and congressional representatives nationwide. For Rhode Island's Turkish American population, which has not traditionally engaged with lawmakers, this is a promising and encouraging development.



This was the first meeting between Congressman Seth Magaziner and Turkish Americans.

CONGRESSWOMAN **NELLIE POU**

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT 9



Turkish Americans had a very productive and sincere meeting with Congresswoman Nellie Pou from New Jersey's District 9. Congresswoman Nellie Pou made history as the first Latina from New Jersey elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. She holds key roles on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the House Homeland Security Committee.



We organized this fundraiser in Taskin Family's residence, Taskin family is one of the most well known family in the region.



Many Turkish American businesspeople were invited, as were leaders of the Turkish Assyrian Community. During the meeting, the group gave her a Bible as a gift. The Congresswoman was delighted by this gift, since it was right before Easter.

■ It's also worth noting that Congresswoman Nellie Pou's district includes a large Turkish American community.

CONGRESSMAN **PAT HARRIGAN**

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 10



Turkish Americans visited Congressman Pat Harrigan's office. This is our second meeting with Congressman since he got elected on November 2024. Turkish Americans were came from various states to show unity. Cong. Harrigan was impressed byseeing Turkish Americans and Ahiskan Turkish Americans from Texas, Virginia, Rhode Island, Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and DC.

We'd like to thank DATUB, ATA-DC, ASKON USA and UTEP Representatives, also Azerbaijan Community Leaders.

SENATOR EDWARD MARKEY

MASSACHUSETTS



Turkish American Coalition Board Member Ceylan Rowe attended the New England Council breakfast with MA Senator Ed Markey thanking him for this work to have Rumeysa Ozturk released.

Senator Markey reiterated to the group that international students are an asset to Massachusetts.

■ Turkish students are the top 20 international student population in Massachusetts

CONGRESSMAN PETE SESSIONS

TEXAS DISTRICT 17



Many Turkish Americans from DE, NY, RI, TX, NJ, PA, SC, VA, and MD recently met with Congressman Pete Sessions (TX-17), a trusted friend of Türkiye and a longtime distinguished member of the U.S. Congress.

The group informed the Congressman about H.R. 2585, which promotes a highly biased and one-sided alleged Armenian genocide education act based on distorted history. They emphasized that it runs counter to American principles of fairness, harms young Turkish Americans, and fosters discord among ethnic groups.

The group also inquired about internship opportunities in his office. Congressman Sessions, known as a voice of common sense and reason, would be an exemplary legislator to help train and guide young people.

CONGRESSMAN SUHAS SUBRAMANYAM

VIRGINIA DISTRICT 10



National Coalition of Turkish American Woman PAC organized a fundraiser for newly elected Congressman Suhas Subramanyam.



CONGRESSMAN ZACH NUNN

IOWA DISTRICT 3

A large group of Turkish Americans from nine states, including an Ahiskan and an Azerbaijani representative, had a meet and greet visit with Congressman Zach Nunn, (IA-3). The Congressman comes from an agricultural background and has a long history of military service in the US Air Force. His House Committee assignments reflect his experience and expertise. Turkiye is also an agricultural country with a strong military.

■ Turkish American group discussed overlapping topics, such as the trade of farm products and Turkiye's defense readiness in NATO.



■ The group brought up HR 2585, if passed, which would have a deleterious effect on the Turkish and Azerbaijani Turkish American children, with a very one-sided and biased account of the historical events of WWI, in eastern Anatolia, and at the cost of millions of dollars to the US government.



Congressman Nunn understood the concerns of the community. The meeting was very friendly and we thank the Congressman for his valuable input and time.



CONGRESSWOMAN **NELLIE POU**

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT 9



Turkish Americans from NJ, NY, CT, RI, VA, DE, MD, TX, PA, and SC met to congratulate Congresswoman Nellie Pou on her election to NJ District 9, where the city of Paterson is located. During her campaign, the Congresswoman was already acquainted with the NJ Turkish American Community and the recent marvelous party at the Taskin residence in NJ. She is the first Latina from NJ to serve in Congress. During her 40 years of public service, she played a national leadership role to uplift the underserved Hispanic communities.



Turkish American Women presence is a MUST in these meetings. It is encouraging to see Turkish American Woman from different states took their time to join this meeting. We like to thank ATA-DC President Mrs. Schreffler, TASC former Secretary Mrs. Bain and ATAA Representative Mrs. Karamete

Congresswoman Pou is an example of a legislator whom Turkish Americans can look up to and learn from. Among many issues discussed at the meeting, the corrosive HR 2585 was brought up. HR 2585 promotes educating young children on blatantly biased and racist accounts of WW1 events at a cost of millions of dollars to the US government. Congresswoman is well aware of such fabrications. She answered the group's community-related questions and was so pleased with the meeting.

CONGRESSMAN **AARON BEAN**

FLORIDA DISTRICT 4



Turkish American group had a very fruitful meeting with FL-4 Congressman Aaron Bean. He had many questions about Türkiye, and was eager to visit the country at the end of the meeting to have a better understanding of the region and the culture. This visit also will help for a more sophisticated view of American interests in the region.

The topics discussed during meetings were issues common to the Turkish American community, the U.S. and Türkiye relations, economy specifically high inflation, endless wars in the world, internship opportunities for Turkish American kids and immigration.

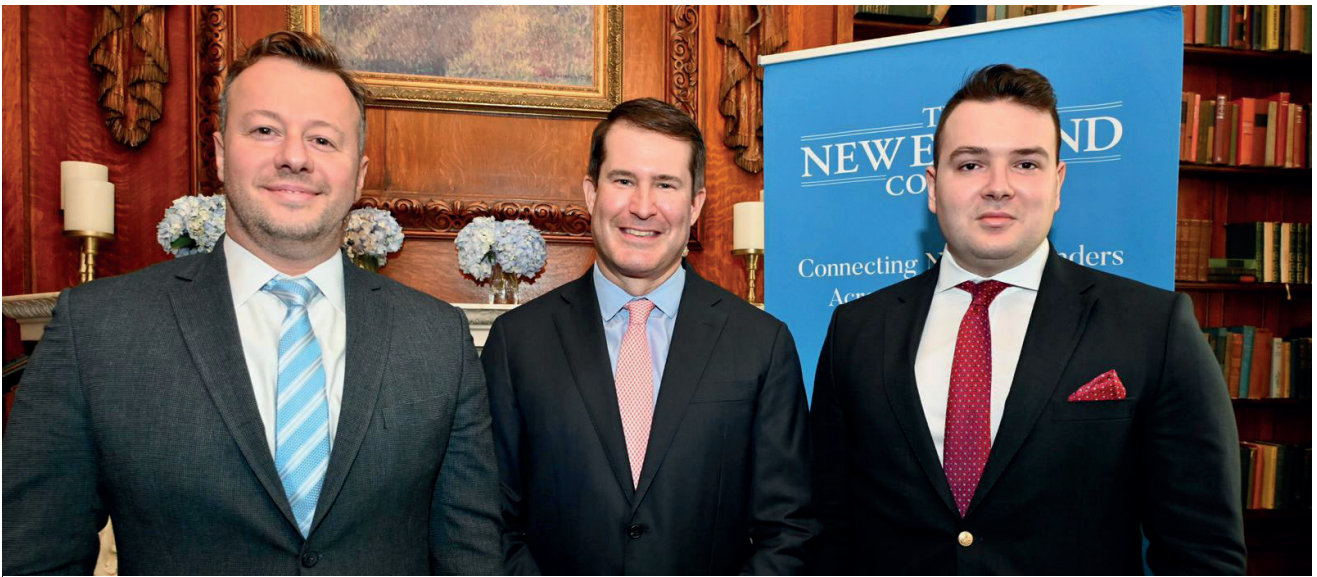


Turkish American group talked about HR 2585, asked Congressman to not support. If this bill passes, it would have a deleterious effect on the Turkish American and Azerbaijani Turkish American children.

The group and Congressman Bean agreed on setting up another meeting in Congressman Bean's own District near Jacksonville, Florida.

CONGRESSMAN **SETH MOULTON**

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT 6



Chairman Melih Bektas and President of New England Turkish American Student Association, Murat Kerem Ersin met with Congressman Seth Moulton, a veteran serving Massachusetts's Sixth District. Seth Moulton is a member of the House Armed Services Committee, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

This was the first time Congressman Moulton had met a Turkish American from the region. We provided information about Turkish Americans and Turkish students in the region and his district. We also discussed the ongoing matters in the Middle East.

CONGRESSWOMAN NELLIE POU

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT 9



Turkish American Businessmen joined Congresswoman Nellie Pou's dinner. Successful NJ Businessman Peter Eyup Ulu from Taba AmCham also attended the meeting.

We appreciate Congresswoman's warm and sincere welcome and also special thanks to her helpful staff.



CONGRESSMAN
GABE EVANS
COLORADO DISTRICT 8



Chair Melih Bektas had a long conversation with newly elected Congressman Gabe Evans from Colorado. He did not have any information or a policy regarding international matters regarding Türkiye. These meetings are actually very crucial for TurkishAmericans to introduce ourselves and start a conversation. Every meeting is a great chance to build a bridge.

CONGRESSMAN SETH MAGAZINER

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT 2



We were pleased to continue our ongoing conversations with Congressman Seth Magaziner who represents Rhode Island's 2nd District and serves on the Homeland Security and Natural Resources Committees. This latest meeting built on our previous discussions about strengthening civic participation and highlighting the contributions of Turkish Americans in state and across the U.S.

ELECTED OFFICIALS OCTOBER 29TH CELEBRATION VIDEO MESSAGES



Iowa Congressman

Zach Nunn

Texas Congressman

Pete Sessions

Tennessee Congressman

Steve Cohen

New Jersey Congresswoman

Nellie Pou

Morris County Commissioner

Tayfun Selen

New Hampshire State Rep.

Ellen Read

South Carolina Congressman

Joe Wilson

Florida Congressman

Aaron Bean

Montana Congressman

Ryan Zinke

Rhode Island Congressman

Seth Magaziner

Turkish American Coalition PAC Team worked very closely with elected officials throughout the year and asked from them a celebratory message for October 29th on the anniversary of the Turkish Republic.

Enjoy the full video on our website
www.TurkishAmericanPAC.org

CONGRESSMAN PAT HARRIGAN

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 10



Turkish Americans on their recent visit to the Capitol had a repeat meeting with Congresswoman Pat Harrigan. The newly elected Congresswoman is familiar with the Turkish American community from two prior meetings.



CONGRESSMAN **ZACH NUNN**

IOWA DISTRICT 3



A group of Midwest Turkish Americans and entrepreneurs from New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island met with Congressman Zach Nunn (Iowa-3) in Chicago. The two-hour meeting covered various economic issues, including small business investments, tariffs, immigration, and finance. It also explored Turkey's strategic location and its contributions to peace promotion and economic development in the Caucasus and Turkic nations.



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Notably, the meeting emphasized Turkey’s crucial role, particularly with its second-largest army in NATO and maintaining regional stability and peace.



Almost in all of our meetings, our team makes sure that Turkish, American, and Azerbaijani flags are visible. Also books and pamphlets related Turkish historical matters are also given out to attendees.

CONGRESSWOMAN NELLIE POU

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT 9



We are proud to share that Turkish American Coalition recently had productive fundraiser with Congresswoman Nellie Pou (D-NJ), and her commitment to her constituents and thoughtful leadership truly stood out.





On Capitol Hill, she plays a critical role on both the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee and the House Homeland Security Committee.



During our discussion, we explored concrete opportunities for collaboration, aligning on immigration policy priorities, strengthening communities, and pushing forward policies that benefit working families. Her insights and passion were inspiring, and we are confident that our partnership will yield meaningful results.

CONGRESSMAN JAMES WALKINSHAW

VIRGINIA DISTRICT 11



A large group of Turkish Americans and Azerbaijani Americans from Virginia and other states met with the newly elected Congressman James Walkinshaw (VA-11) at the Cacao Bistro near Capitol Hill. Congressman Walkinshaw was elected to fill the seat formerly held by Gerry Connolly, a longtime friend of Türkiye who recently passed away. Walkinshaw served as Chief of Staff to Gerry Connolly for over a decade.





The Congressman has numerous Turkish Americans in his district who campaigned in his recent special election. He is currently on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, specifically the Military and Foreign Affairs Subcommittee. Congressman Walkinshaw has extensive hands-on experience in Virginia's educational and transportation issues.



During the meeting, the group discussed general topics such as the economy and specific district concerns. They also raised shared issues between Türkiye and the United States, including border security, terrorism, and military readiness. All expressed gratitude to Congressman Walkinshaw for joining the Türkiye caucus shortly after his election and invited him to visit Türkiye.

CONGRESSMAN **SETH MAGAZINER**

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT 2



A delegation of Turkish Americans, primarily business leaders from South Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Rhode Island, Texas, New Jersey, New York, California, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, met with Congressman Seth Magaziner (RI-02) in his Washington, D.C. office. The meeting followed an earlier engagement in 2023 with Rhode Island Turkish Americans to congratulate him on his 2024 election, reflecting an ongoing and constructive dialogue. Congressman Magaziner, a first-term Member of Congress, serves on the Counterterrorism, Intelligence, and Law Enforcement Subcommittee of the House Homeland Security Committee. Discussions focused on the economy, healthcare, challenges faced by small businesses, and shared U.S.–Türkiye concerns, including counterterrorism, immigration, and intelligence cooperation within the NATO alliance.

CONGRESSMAN ZACH NUNN

IOWA DISTRICT 3



A group of Turkish Americans, primarily business leaders from various states, visited Congressman Zach Nunn. The group not only discussed economic developments but also expressed their appreciation for his October 29th video message.

Internship opportunities were also discussed, and Congressman Nunn's staff was especially helpful for young individuals who are seeking internship opportunities and professional development.

CONGRESSMAN **JOE WILSON**

SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 2



Turkish Americans got together with Congressman Joe Wilson. He is a long term supporter and a true friend.

OUR TEAM

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