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CONGRESSMAN NICK BEGICH

ALASKA AT LARGE



Chairman Bektas had deep conversations regarding the security of the US and specifically the State of Alaska. Since its next to Russia, Congressman Begich understand the importance of NATO Alliance against Russia and a strong supporter of Turkiye. His Croatian background helps him understand the Eastern European flank. Representative Nick Begich's stance on NATO and related issues appears to be aligned with a general Republican view focusing on fiscal responsibility and a more cautious approach to foreign aid.

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.

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

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.



Not only we have invited the well known business people but also Turkish Assyrian Community Leaders had joined and we as a community gave a Bible to Congresswoman. She was delighted by this gift since it was right before Easter.

- It's also worth noting that Congresswoman Nellie Pou's district encompasses the area where the majority of Turkish Americans reside.

CONGRESSMAN PAT HARRIGAN NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 10



Turkish Americans visited Congressman Pat Harrigan's office. He is very important for us, this is our second meeting with Congressman since he got elected on November 2024.

Turkish Americans were coming from various states to show unity. Harrigan was impressed by seeing residence 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 and welcomed.

- 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 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.



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 SUHAS SUBRAMANYAM VIRGINIA DISTRICT 10



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



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.

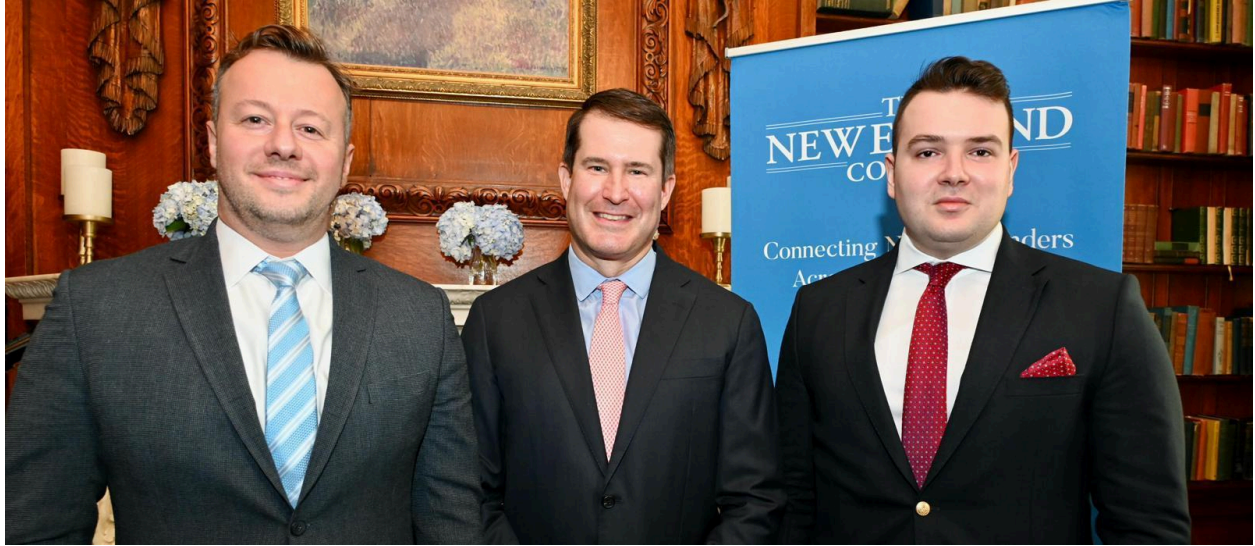
The topics discussed during meetings were issues common to the Turkish American community, the U.S. and Türkiye relations, economy specifically high inflation, endless wars in the world, internship opportunities for Turkish American kids and immigration.



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.



**We like to thank all of our NGO's and our valuable Turkish American
Citizens for being a part of this movement.**

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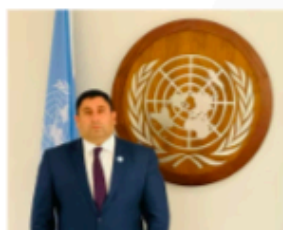
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