



June 22, 2020

Dear Representative:

The National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU) strongly supports H.R. 51, the “Washington, DC Admission Act”, which has been approved by the House Oversight and Reform Committee and that we understand will be voted on by the House later this week. NTEU asks that you vote **“YES”** on this important civil and voting rights legislation.

This bill, introduced by Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), would correct a grave injustice, namely the disenfranchisement of American citizens who live in the District of Columbia. These 700,000 Americans, some of whom are members of our union, bear all of the responsibilities of other American citizens – they pay taxes, serve on juries, are subject to federal laws and, as I write this letter, many are bravely serving their country on overseas military assignments or in other ways. They also should have voting representation in the legislative chambers that make these laws and set these taxes which they are obligated to follow. No American citizen should be a second-class citizen.

Thank you for your consideration of NTEU’s request. If you have any questions on this matter, please feel free to contact Kurt Vorndran in our Legislation Department at 202.572.5560 or at [kurt.vorndran@nteu.org](mailto:kurt.vorndran@nteu.org).

Sincerely,

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