



U.S. House of Representatives

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM  Original  Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual *Financial Disclosure Statement*. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto:gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov), within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

1. Name of Traveler: Robert Latta
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: February 12, 2023 Return: February 13, 2023  
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None
4. Departure City: Detroit, MI Destination: Chicago, IL Return City: Detroit, MI
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Bipartisan Policy Center
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary):  
 A full description of meetings and events attended is attached to this form.

7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
  - a.  a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b.  the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a.  I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.  
**Signify statement is true by checking the box.**  
 b. If not, explain:

**I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.** I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: 

Date: 2.23.23



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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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- Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Bipartisan Policy Center
- Travel Destination(s): Chicago, IL
- Date of Departure: Feb 12, 2023 Date of Return: Feb. 13, 2023
- Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Bob Latta

*Note:* You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

- Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	224.80	222.88	49.30	Rental Car/Fuel: 359.98
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

- All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Kelly Darnell Date: 02/15/2023

Name: Kelly Darnell Title: Interim CEO

Organization: Bipartisan Policy Center

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 1225 I Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005

Email: kdarnell@bipartisanpolicy.org Telephone: 202-204-2400

*Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.*

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Robert Latta
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:  
Bipartisan Policy Center
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel : Chicago, IL
4. a. Date of Departure: February 12, 2023 Date of Return: February 13, 2023  
b. Yes  No  Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  
If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Yes  No  Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**  
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Yes  No  Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:
6. a. Yes  No  Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?  
b. **If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:**
7. Yes  No  *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.  
*NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.*
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties.  
**Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**  
As a Member of Congress, participating in this exchange visit will allow me to better understand the similarities and differences other districts in the region share with my own district, as well as allow me to see the challenges similar districts in the region are facing. This reciprocal visit to Rep. Robin Kelly's district, whom I share committee assignments with, will allow me to work more closely with her to serve the needs of constituents in both OH-05 and IL-02.
9. **Yes  No  Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## Primary Trip Sponsor Form

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.**

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip: Bipartisan Policy Center

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2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent.  
Signify that the statement is true by checking box:
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip:  **OR**
  - b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds:  **OR**
  - c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
 If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_  
Rep. Bob Latta; Rebecca Angelson, Chief of Staff (see addendum)
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?  Yes  No
6. Date of Departure: February 12, 2023 Date of Return: February 13, 2023
7. a. City of departure: (Latta) Detroit, Michigan; (Rebecca) Baltimore, MD  
b. Destination(s): Chicago, Illinois  
c. City of return: (Latta) Detroit, Michigan; (Rebecca) Baltimore, MD
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965:  **OR**
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent:  **OR**
  - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
  - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
  - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
  - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night:  **OR**
  - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:  If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_



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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box:*
11. **Check only one of the following:**  
 a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*  **OR**  
 b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education:
12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:  
See attached addendum  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**  
 a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:  
N/A  
 \_\_\_\_\_
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*
15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:  
 a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees:  **OR**  
 b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:   
 If "b" is checked:  
 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$70.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: See addendum  
 \_\_\_\_\_
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:  
 Hotel Name: La Banque Hotel City: Homewood, Illinois Cost Per Night: \$199  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to events  
 Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_
17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*



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18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	Rep. Latta (\$254.78) Rebecca (\$249.96)	\$199.00	\$70.00
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$276.31	Car rental/fuel
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A

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19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below:  **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Jason Grumet Date: 1/13/2023

Name: Jason Grumet

Title: President

Organization: Bipartisan Policy Center

Address: 1225 I St. NW #1000 Washington, DC 20005

Telephone: 202-240-2400

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If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee at the following address:

### Committee on Ethics

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1015 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: 202-225-7103 General Fax: 202-225-7392



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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Washington, DC 20515

February 1, 2023

The Honorable Robert E. Latta  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2467 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Chicago, Illinois, scheduled for February 12 to 13, 2023, sponsored by Bipartisan Policy Center.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than the reporting threshold from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. That reporting threshold is currently \$415 but is set to adjust in 2023. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Guest". The first letter "M" is large and loops around the start of the name.

Michael Guest  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Wild". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "S" and "W" being particularly prominent.

Susan Wild  
Ranking Member

MG/SW:emw

**American Congressional Exchange Itinerary**  
**Bob Latta (R-OH-5) visiting Robin Kelly (D-IL-2)**  
**February 12-13, 2023**

**Sun, Feb. 12**

- 4:00 p.m. Rep. Latta departs DTW, DL #4673  
4:27 p.m. Arr. MDW
- 4:30 p.m. John Richter & Jonathan Perman (BPC staff) pick up Rep. Latta
- 4:30-5:15 Depart airport for drive to Obama Presidential Center Construction site, 6001 South Stony Island Ave. and then to Virtue Restaurant, 1462 E. 53<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Reps. Latta and Kelly, will get a view of the construction progress and development of the new museum and public gathering space. Both Reps. Kelly and Latta have significant tourism assets in their districts.
- 5:15-6:30 Dinner with Mike Jordan, Obama Foundation committee member. The entirety of the dinner is officially connected. The visit to discuss the Obama Presidential Center will allow Rep. Latta to compare and contrast the tourism economies of OH-5 that are decidedly more rural with those of a major urban center. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta.
- 6:30-7:15 Depart dinner for drive to La Banque Hotel, 2034 Ridge Rd., Homewood  
7:15 Check-in to hotel.

**Mon., Feb. 13**

- 7:00-7:30 a.m. Check out of hotel and drive to Steve Warrick Farm (708-388-1099) 3645 West Pauling Rd., Monee. Mark Schneidewind, Manager, Will County Farm Bureau (815-727-4811). Kelly Staff: Tony Presta, Mary Catherine Roberson.
- 7:30-8:45 Led by: Adam Nielsen (309-531-1950), Director of National Legislation and Policy Development, Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB). Working breakfast with farmers group. The entirety of the breakfast is officially connected.
- Reps. Latta and Kelly will meet with a group of local farmers in Will County to discuss several issues critical to agriculture including transportation infrastructure, water quality, energy policy, and the regulatory review process. In OH-5, Rep. Kelly saw rich farmlands that grew grains and vegetables. Now in IL-2, Rep. Latta will be able to learn about agriculture issues in the state of Illinois and how these local farms are trying to withstand urban sprawl that is reaching the exurbs of Will County. The discussion of affordable energy supply and distribution relates directly to Reps. Latta's and Kelly's service on the Energy & Commerce Committee. The conversation will also focus on new

innovations in pasture and land management that help to keep the dairy farms profitable.

8:45-9:00

Depart farmers meeting for drive to Richton Park Community Center, 4445 Sauk Trail.

9:00-10:15

Meeting with local south suburban mayors. The entirety of the lunch is officially connected. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta, Mary Catherine Roberson, Rick Bryant.

Led by Richton Park Village President Rick Reinbold. Mayors and other officials attending:

Regan Stockstell, Village Manager, Richton Park  
Mayor James Ford, Country Club Hills  
Mayor Jada Curry, Lynwood  
IL State Rep. Will Davis  
Village President Peter March & Administrator Aimee Ingalls, Peotone  
Mayor Patty Eidam, Lansing; Village Administrator, Dan Podgorski & Economic Development Consultant, Jack Hynes.  
Mayor Vernard L. Alsberry Jr., Hazel Crest  
Barbara Brewer-Watson, Executive Director, Economic & Community Development Agency, City of Kankakee  
Village President Chalmers-Currin, Matteson

The south suburbs of Chicago have seen challenging times with the loss of their manufacturing base, which has been replaced, in part, by a warehouse and distribution economy. While this new economic sector takes advantage of the superior rail and highway system and the region's location near the crossroads of the nation's transport corridors, the jobs being offered often do not match the wage levels that manufacturing jobs once provided. Another test for these communities is their tax rates are so high because their tax base is weak. This can mean a vicious cycle where rising taxes drive out businesses, people, and jobs, further weakening the tax base.

Reps. Kelly and Latta will discuss with the local mayors what kinds of incentives and support could come from the federal government, in partnership with state, county, and municipalities. And, how recently passed federal legislation like the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Inflation Reduction Act can aid key sectors besides transportation/logistics like food/beverage manufacturing and packaging; metals, machinery and equipment manufacturing; and chemical/materials.

10:15-10:45

Depart mayor's meeting and drive to Family Christian Health Center, 15620 S. Wood St., Harvey.

10:45-11:05

Tour Health Center. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta.  
Led by Dr. Lisa Green, CEO and her staff.

This Federal Qualified Health Center (FQHC) provides family medicine, maternal child health/wellness, OB/GYN, pediatric care, dental, and behavioral health services to over 22,000 patients annually. This main facility (one of four), opened in 2004 provides quality medical care to underserved populations, mainly Medicaid patients.

Reps. Latta and Kelly, both of whom have a strong interest in quality health care, will learn how Family Christian Health Center responded to the COVID pandemic and is still grappling with its subvariants. They will also discuss the challenge of hiring and retaining employees, particularly nurses and technicians. The visit relates directly to Reps. Latta and Kelly's service on the Energy & Commerce Committee, which has health as a key part of its jurisdiction.

11:05-11:15 Depart Health Center, walk to Univ. of Chicago Ingalls Memorial Hospital, Professional Office Building, 71 West 156<sup>th</sup> St., Harvey.

11:15-12:30 Working Lunch Health Issues Roundtable, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room.

Led by: Mary Jo Crandall, Vice President of Operations, UChicago Medicine Ingalls Memorial Hospital and Paul Donohue, Vice President, Philanthropy & Community Relations. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta.

Working lunch with hospital leadership. The entirety of the lunch is officially connected.

Reps. Kelly and Latta will meet with hospital leadership and other regional health officials. Their conversation will focus on how hospital leadership is responding to: the challenge of health care workforce development, and the continued pandemic impacts (e.g., mental health, social determinants, etc.). Also, both members have worked closely in the past on maternal health services, so that will be a topic of conversation too.

The meeting will also include representatives from other hospitals in the south suburban region including:

Raymond Grady, President/CEO, Franciscan Health Olympia Fields  
Tim Egan, CEO, Roseland Community Hosp.  
Dr. Lisa Green, CEO, Family Christian Health Center  
Michele A. Wysoglad, Vice President of Development & External Affairs, LaRabida Children's Hosp.  
Michelle Blakely, President, Advocate Trinity (Calumet Heights-Chicago and Advocate South Suburban (Hazel Crest).

This meeting will be similar to a visit that Rep. Kelly made in OH-5 last August, where she and Rep. Latta met with healthcare providers from the greater Toledo region. The meeting at Ingalls hospital will permit Rep. Latta to compare and contrast the hospital systems he is familiar with and those in IL-2.

- 12:30-1:00 Depart Ingalls Professional Office Building, drive to Ford Motor Torrence Ave. Plant, 12600 S. Torrence Ave.
- 1:00-2:15 Tour of Ford Motor Torrence Ave. Plant. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta.
- Led by: Tony Reinhart, Government Affairs, Ford Motor Co.  
(202-361-6502)
- Reps. Kelly and Latta, will tour the Ford Assembly Plant, which makes the Lincoln Aviator and Explorer SUVs, and Police Interceptor Utility vehicles.
- Opened in 1924, this major Ford plant employs about 5,800 skilled workers on a 113-acre site. In 2019, Ford began a \$1B upgrade of the facility as well as the Chicago Heights stamping operation. The two plants combined are the largest manufacturing facilities in Chicago.
- While the current Torrence Ave. plant is a model of modern efficiency and the latest innovations, the question is what the future will bring as Ford is expecting that half its vehicles will be electric by 2030.
- As they did in OH-5, Reps. Kelly and Latta will discuss with the Ford team the current state of manufacturing in the Midwest and how federal incentives, particularly in R&D and chip manufacturing can assist the auto industry. Also, workforce challenges will be a key part of the conversation.
- 2:15-2:30 Drive to Pullman National Historic Park Visitors Center (U.S. NPS), 610 E. 111<sup>th</sup> St., Chicago.
- 2:30-3:30 Tour and Meeting, led by: Julian Jackson, Executive Director, Historic Pullman Foundation; and Teri Gage, Superintendent, Pullman National Historic Park. Kelly Staff: Tony Presta, Mia Carter, Carolina Gonzalez.
- The meeting will take place at the Pullman National Historic Park, the first model, planned industrial community in the U.S. and home to the Pullman Palace Car manufacturing plant, scene of a violent labor strike in 1894. The area is also where the unionization of black workers began in 1925, when the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters was founded. Pullman became the nation's largest black employer. Reps. Kelly and Latta, will see the Pullman Historic District and the museum managed by the National Park Service. The visit offers Rep. Latta the opportunity to see how federal resources (NPS) are being used as a catalyst to inspire neighborhood reinvestment and revitalization. And, to see how this economic development strategy contrasts with some of the service sectors in OH-5.
- 3:30-4:15 Depart Pullman and drive to MDW  
4:15-4:30 Flight check-in at MDW.  
5:15 pm. Rep. Latta departs MDW, DL#4673  
7:32 p.m. Arr. DTW

Addendum – Primary Trip Sponsor Form

**American Congressional Exchange Itinerary**  
**Rep. Bob Latta (R-OH-5) visiting Rep. Robin Kelly (D-IL-2)**  
**February 12-13, 2023**

**Item 4: Representative Bob Latta, and Rebecca Angelson:**

Congressman Bob Latta is a member of the House Energy & Commerce Committee, and its following subcommittees: Communications & Technology (Republican leader); Consumer Protection & Commerce; and Energy. He shares all of these subcommittee assignments except for the Energy Subcommittee on Energy with Rep. Robin Kelly, whose district he is visiting.

Rep. Latta represents Ohio's 5<sup>th</sup> congressional district. Rep. Kelly visited this district in 2022, which has a number of similarities with Kelly's IL-2 district. Both have a mix of more urban areas, rural communities, small towns and farmlands. Each district is confronting challenges and embracing opportunities of retaining key core industries while also developing a new, diversified range of contemporaneous businesses.

OH-5 has a mix of cutting-edge solar energy production, food processing, and the manufacturing of household appliances and auto parts. Rep. Latta's visit to IL-2 will afford him the opportunity to experience a congressional district where he can draw comparisons, and hear from a variety of civic, local elected and business leaders about the challenges they face and how they are working to meet them. He will also visit an important Ford Motor Co. production plant, which provides an analogue to the vehicle parts plant in his home district.

Importantly, Rep. Latta's visit will also include stops at a Family Christian Health Center, as well as a locally critical hospital. During Rep. Kelly's trip to OH-5, she heard from local medical providers and major hospital systems, and Rep. Latta's experience will offer an opportunity to hear best practices from other providers and draw lessons and comparisons.

Additionally, Rep. Latta will attend a regional farmers roundtable. Again, this will provide a valuable opportunity to gain the perspectives of other agricultural entities outside of his district, and bring those experiences to bear for his representation of OH-5 farmers. Rep. Latta's district is the largest agricultural district in Ohio.

Rebecca Angelson: As chief of staff, Ms. Angelson is involved in the full range of Rep. Latta's responsibilities, crafting policies and legislative strategies, and issues pertinent to his committee and subcommittee assignments.

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**Sun, Feb. 12**

- 2:45 p.m. Rebecca Angelson departs BWI, SW #471  
3:50 p.m. Arr. MDW
- 4:00 p.m. Rep. Latta departs DTW, DL #4673  
4:27 p.m. Arr. MDW
- 4:30 p.m. John Richter & Jonathan Perman (BPC staff) pick up Rep. Latta and Rebecca Angelson.
- 4:30-5:15 Depart airport for drive to Obama Presidential Center Construction site, 6001 South Stony Island Ave.
- 5:15-5:45 Tour and meet with leadership of the Obama Presidential Center. Led by Roark Frankel, Director of Planning & Construction, Obama Foundation. Reps. Latta and Kelly, along with Rebecca Angelson, will get a view of the construction progress and development of the new museum and public gathering space. Obama Foundation staff will display plans for the unique museum building design, Winter Garden, Forum and Plaza, Library, Park and Activity Center, and Children's Play Area. Both Reps. Kelly and Latta have significant tourism assets in their districts. The visit to the Obama Presidential Center will allow Rep. Latta to compare and contrast the tourism economies of OH-5 that are decidedly more rural with those of a major urban center.
- 5:45-6:15 Drive to Univ. of Chicago Institute of Politics (IOP), 5707 S. Woodlawn Ave. See highlights of U of C campus on the way.
- 6:15-7:30 Speaker series event led by former U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp, now Director of the IOP. Reps. Latta & Kelly will have conversation about the current culture of Congress and the prospects for bipartisanship with students and scholars. Each year, the IOP hosts dozens of events that offers students direct contact with prominent guests spanning a vast spectrum of ideological, professional, and geographical backgrounds.
- 7:30-7:45 Depart IOP, drive to Virtue Restaurant, 1462 E. 53<sup>rd</sup> St.
- 7:45-9:30 Dinner with IL Attorney General Kwame Raoul and others TBD. The entirety of the dinner is officially connected.
- Led by: IL Attorney General Kwame Raoul. Reps. Kelly and Latta, along with Ms. Angelson, will meet with the Illinois Attorney General to discuss recent state legislation that is now being implemented in Illinois regarding the elimination of cash bail and gun safety as a lead-up to the meeting the next day about gun violence. The conversation will also highlight prospects for innovative policy on these issues in the 188<sup>th</sup> Congress.

9:30-10:15  
10:15

Depart dinner for drive to La Banque Hotel, 2034 Ridge Rd., Homewood  
Check-in to hotel.

**Mon., Feb. 13**

6:55-7:45 a.m.

Check out of hotel and drive to Law Rae Manor Dairy Farm, 5898 E. 7000 N. Rd., Manteno.

7:45-8:45

Led by: Adam Nielsen, Director of National Legislation and Policy Development, Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB). Working breakfast with farmers group. The entirety of the breakfast is officially connected.

Reps. Latta and Kelly, and Rebecca Angelson, will meet with a group of local farmers in Will County to discuss several issues critical to agriculture including transportation infrastructure, water quality, energy policy, and the regulatory review process. In OH-5, Rep. Kelly saw rich farmlands that grew grains and vegetables. Now in IL-2, Rep. Latta and Ms. Angelson will be able to learn about agriculture issues in the state of Illinois and how these local farms are trying to withstand urban sprawl that is reaching the exurbs of Will County. The discussion of affordable energy supply and distribution relates directly to Reps. Latta's and Kelly's service on the Energy & Commerce Committee. The conversation will also focus on new innovations in pasture and land management that help to keep the dairy farms profitable.

8:45-9:15

Depart farmers meeting for drive to Richton Park Public Library, 22310 Latonia Lane.

9:15-10:30

Meeting with local south suburban mayors. The entirety of the lunch is officially connected.

Led by Richton Park Mayor Rick Reinbold. Mayors invited from: Kankakee, Hazel Crest, Country Club Hills, Markham, Lansing, Lynwood Matteson, and Peotone. Also inviting the mayors' economic development persons and IL State Rep. Will Davis.

The south suburbs of Chicago have seen challenging times with the loss of their manufacturing base, which has been replaced, in part, by a warehouse and distribution economy. While this new economic sector takes advantage of the superior rail and highway system and the region's location near the crossroads of the nation's transport corridors, the jobs being offered often do not match the wage levels that manufacturing jobs once provided. Another test for these communities is their tax rates are so high because their tax base is weak. This can mean a vicious cycle where rising taxes drive out businesses, people, and jobs, further weakening the tax base.

Reps. Kelly and Latta, along with Ms. Angelson, will discuss with the local mayors what kinds of incentives and support could come from the federal government, in partnership with state, county, and municipalities. And, how recently passed federal legislation like the Infrastructure Investment

and Jobs Act and Inflation Reduction Act can aid key sectors besides transportation/logistics like food/beverage manufacturing and packaging; metals, machinery and equipment manufacturing; and chemical/materials.

10:30-11:00 Depart mayor's meeting and drive to Family Christian Health Center, 31 W. 155<sup>th</sup> St., Harvey.

11:00-11:15 Tour Health Center.

Led by Dr. Lisa Green, CEO and her staff.

This Federal Qualified Health Center (FQHC) provides family medicine, maternal child health/wellness, OB/GYN, pediatric care, dental, and behavioral health services to over 22,000 patients annually. This main facility (one of four), opened in 2004 provides quality medical care to underserved populations, mainly Medicaid patients.

Reps. Latta and Kelly, both of whom have a strong interest in quality health care, along with Ms. Angelson, will learn how Family Christian Health Center responded to the COVID pandemic and is still grappling with its subvariants. They will also discuss the challenge of hiring and retaining employees, particularly nurses and technicians. The visit relates directly to Reps. Latta and Kelly's service on the Energy & Commerce Committee, which has health as a key part of its jurisdiction.

11:15-11:20 Depart Health Center for drive to Univ. of Chicago Ingalls Memorial Hospital, 1 Ingalls Dr., Harvey.

11:20-12:30 Visit Univ. of Chicago Ingalls Memorial Hospital.

Led by: Randy Neiswonger, President of Ingalls Memorial Hospital. Working lunch with hospital leadership. The entirety of the lunch is officially connected.

Reps. Kelly and Latta, and Ms. Angelson, will meet with hospital leadership and other regional health officials. Their conversation will focus on patient health information delivery, workforce development, and federal health care funding.

Ingalls was founded in 1923. The now-478-bed hospital is part of the growing Univ. of Chicago Hospital System. The meeting will also include representatives from other hospitals in the south suburban region including: Advocate South Suburban, Roseland Community, La Rabida Children's, Advocate Trinity, St. Francis, and St. James.

This meeting will be similar to a visit that Rep. Kelly made in OH-5 last August, where she and Rep. Latta met with healthcare providers from the greater Toledo region. The meeting at Ingalls hospital will permit Rep. Latta to compare and contrast the hospital systems he is familiar with and those in IL-2.

12:30-1:00

Depart Ingalls Hospital, drive to Ford Motor Torrence Ave. Plant, 12600 S. Torrence Ave.

1:00-2:15

Tour of Ford Motor Torrence Ave. Plant

Led by: Frederick Jones, Senior Manager, Hybrid Assembly Site; and Tony Reinhart, Government Affairs, Ford Motor Co.

Reps. Kelly and Latta, along with Ms. Angelson, will tour the Ford Assembly Plant, which makes the Lincoln Aviator and Explorer SUVs, and Police Interceptor Utility vehicles.

Opened in 1924, this major Ford plant employs about 5,800 skilled workers on a 113-acre site. In 2019, Ford began a \$1B upgrade of the facility as well as the Chicago Heights stamping operation. The two plants combined are the largest manufacturing facilities in Chicago.

While the current Torrence Ave. plant is a model of modern efficiency and the latest innovations, the question is what the future will bring as Ford is expecting that half its vehicles will be electric by 2030.

As they did in OH-5, Reps. Kelly and Latta – joined by Ms. Angelson -- will discuss with the Ford team the current state of manufacturing in the Midwest and how federal incentives, particularly in R&D and chip manufacturing can assist the auto industry. Also, workforce challenges will be a key part of the conversation.

2:15-2:30

Drive to Pullman National Monument Visitors Center (U.S. NPS), 610 E. 111<sup>th</sup> St., Chicago.

2:30-3:45

Gun Violence Prevention Meeting.

Led by Arne Duncan, Managing Partner, and Rev. Craig Nash, Director of Community Engagement, Chicago Cred; along with Diane Latiker, Founder, Kids Off The Block; and Kelly Fair, Founder & Executive Director, Polished Pebbles Girls Mentoring Program.

This conversation will focus on proven models of street outreach, workforce development, advocacy, and prevention creating transformative change in South and West side communities that have been affected by crime and violence.

Also invited to attend is Rev. Brenda Mitchell from the Everytown Survivor Network; Father Michael Pflieger, St. Sabina Church; and Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller.

The meeting will take place at the Pullman National Monument, the first model, planned industrial community in the U.S. and home to the Pullman Palace Car manufacturing plant, scene of a violent labor strike in 1894. The area is also where the unionization of black workers began in 1925, when the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters was founded. Pullman

became the nation's largest black employer. Reps. Kelly and Latta, along with Rebecca Angelson, will see the Pullman Historic District and the museum managed by the National Park Service.

3:45-4:30 Depart Pullman and drive to MDW  
4:30-4:45 Flight check-in at MDW.  
5:15 pm. Rep. Latta and Rebecca Angelson depart MDW, DL#4673  
7:32 p.m. Arr. DTW

**Item 12: *Bipartisan Policy Center*: The Bipartisan Policy Center is a non-profit organization that combines the best ideas from both parties to promote health, security, and opportunity for all Americans. BPC drives principled and politically viable policy solutions through the power of rigorous analysis and painstaking negotiation.**

As a Washington, D.C.-based think tank that actively promotes bipartisanship, BPC works to address the key challenges facing the nation. Our policy solutions are the product of informed deliberations by former elected and appointed officials, business and labor leaders, and academics and advocates who represent both ends of the political spectrum. We are currently focused on such issues as health, energy, national security, the economy, financial regulatory reform, housing, immigration, infrastructure, and governance.

While a healthy, civil debate among those with differing viewpoints is an essential component of our democracy, the current partisan tone in government is impeding progress. BPC is focused on how to overcome political divides and help make our government work better.

Regardless of deep policy disagreements, Congress must operate with mutual respect, decency, and civility which are foundational to forging collaborative solutions. While there are disparities and regional differences, as elected officials, members of Congress all have a responsibility to address challenges confronting their constituents and the nation, as well as strengthen the institution itself.

The American Congressional Exchange (ACE) Program is a systematic approach to building better relationships and bipartisanship in Congress. ACE is focused on members of the U.S. House of Representatives and is built upon three precepts:

- To develop trust, Members of Congress must listen to one another to understand what it is that motivates them and concerns them.
- Once they listen to each other, they often learn they actually have more in common than meets the eye – and if they can see each other in that vein, impactful legislation can be achieved.
- A shared experience based on close interaction can be what brings Members of Congress together to take action on behalf of the American people.

The central goal of ACE is to build connections and trust, which will create conditions for intentional negotiation and compromise on issues of importance to the participants' constituencies as well as the nation. The trips will increase mutual understandings, and further collaboration on policy matters and legislation. Additionally, as a result, Congress will operate more effectively. BPC representative will accompany traveler on the trip to provide logistics and coordinate functioning of meetings, events, and site visits.

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As referenced above, in IL-2, Rep. Latta and Ms. Angelson will gain valuable insights into a variety of topics relevant to his committees and priorities in Congress representing Ohio's 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

Rep. Latta and Ms. Angelson will have the opportunity to meet with business, civic and elected leaders to discuss and learn about their efforts and strategies for economic growth and management in a district that is both urban and rural. Rep. Latta represents a district that has rebounded from a decline in the 1980s with significant growth in manufacturing resulting in products that are sold in the U.S. and abroad. Rep. Kelly also represents a district that is facing both challenges and opportunities, with the loss of many of its manufacturing jobs being replaced with a booming warehouse and distribution industry.

Also as noted above, OH-5 is the largest agricultural district in Ohio. The 2<sup>nd</sup> congressional district of Illinois affords a chance for Rep. Latta and Ms. Angelson to interact with farmers in a different region and the potential to gain some difference perspectives and insights that Rep. Latta can then apply to his own stewardship of his district's farmers, and agricultural policy.