Olympia Indivisible Members attending: Mike Ashford, Glen Hubbard, Karen Lichtenstein, and Carla Wulfsberg

Agenda:

1. Introduction of Olympia Indivisible delegation
2. Rosa McLeod, introduction

THANK YOUS

Environment, Climate Control

- Thank you for your hard work leading the fight to save Bristol Bay, Alaska from the Pebble Mining operation. Your fight began in 2011 when you urged the EPA to use authority under the Clean Water Act to block large scale development in Bristol Bay. The proposed mining operation would result in irreversible damage to Bristol Bay salmon and the jobs that depend on them. Your May 10 letter to Pres. Trump and all your efforts were exceptional work!
  [Press release May 10, 2017]

- Thank you for joining with 39 other Senate Democrats to urge Pres. Trump, in advance of the G-7 Meeting, not to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement. [Press release June 12, 2017]

- Thank you for joining with Senator Murray and 20 other Senators ( Dems and Repubs.) to send a letter to Energy Secretary Rick Perry opposing the sale of Bonneville Power Administration transmission lines. BPA is an important supplier of electricity to Washington’s utilities. The sale would raise electricity rates and would “take money out of the pockets of consumers and businesses in our states.” - Letter [Seattle Times 6/8/17]
• Thank you for introducing the Young Fishermen Development Act
  HR 2079 (4/6/17) with bi-partisan support from 3 other Senators to
  mitigate the challenges facing young people entering the fishing industry
  – with training opportunities and apprenticeship program.
  [Press Release June 9, 2017]

Health Care
• Thank you for speaking out in support of Medicaid that would likely
  cause 340,000 veterans to lose their coverage, among others and
  opposing the rush through without hearings of the AHCA.

Russian Investigation
• Thank you for supporting democratic accountability and the transparent
  investigation of Russia’s interference in the 2016 elections.

Education
• Thank you for joining with more than 150 members of Congress for
  sending a letter on June 12 to Sec. DeVos to express your concern for
  her decision to make changes to the student loan serving process,
  removing key requirements intended to support and protect student
  borrowers and to help them repay their loans.
  [Press Release June 12, 2017]

Budget
• Thank you for joining with Senator Murray and 27 Senate Democrats to
  send a letter to Pres. Trump with strong concerns about the drastic
  budget cuts that would undermine the important rural development
  mission at the US Dept. of Agriculture.

ASKS

Russian Interference
• Congress should not just investigate but act to prevent future
  interference by forming an independent commission with subpoena
  power to uncover further wrongdoings and share facts with the public.
  What about Senate Bill 27?

• Congress should research and recommend legislation that will
  PROTECT US FROM FUTURE INTERFERENCE in our elections [OI
  Research Report, Call to Action, June 11, 2017]
Health Care

• Please continue your opposition to TrumpCare and defend the ACA. We need you to speak out in the media or on the Senate floor against the repeal of the Affordable Care Act.

[OI Call to Action June 11, 2017]

Privatization of Government Functions

Oppose Trump’s Billionaire infrastructure scams:

• Privatization of public assets and government functions such as the Air Traffic Control. No bill has been proposed in this session, however.
• Trump tolls – lifting a federal ban that prevents tolling on existing lanes of interstate highways.

Where does Senator Cantwell stand? Has she made a public statement? We saw her letter of May 15 urging regulatory reforms for the FAA and know she is on the Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety and Security.

Schedule next meeting.

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