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Date: June 30, 2008

Honorable Maxine Waters
Congress of the United States
2344 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-0535

Dear Ms. Waters:

Thank you so much your forceful and decisive support of our Engineering Services staff in Southern California. I fully agree with you that the oversight safeguards present in H.R. 2881 should not be circumvented by a hasty and unilateral restructuring of the Engineering workforce in Southern California at this point in time.

The Union is grateful for your continued support, and your letter will be a great help in keeping up the morale of the over 150 engineers that I represent, and their families, in Los Angeles.

Thank you again for your continuing support, and the patient and thorough efforts of your staff, in particular, Kathleen Sengstock.

Best regards,

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Sarwar (Sam) Samad
President, NATCA EWP Local
Los Angeles

-----Original Message-----

From: sam.samad@natca.net

Sent: Friday, March 20, 2009 12:46pm

To: ca35ima@mail.house.gov

Subject: Letter of Support

Dear Maxine,

As I have written in the attached letter, I want to thank you for including me in the list of addressees to whom you personally sent your statement regarding your advocacy on behalf of minority and community banks.

I think it is a sad commentary on our partisan times, when obvious acts of civic leadership and support for communities are viewed with suspicion, and used as fodder for slanderous witch hunts.

Please refer to my attached letter. You have my total confidence and support in this matter.

Sincerely,

Sam Samad
President, NATCA EWP Local
Los Angeles

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Date: March 20, 2009

Honorable Maxine Waters
Congress of the United States
2344 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-0535

Dear Ms. Waters:

Thank you for including me in the list of friends to whom you personally sent your March 13th statement concerning your advocacy on behalf of Minority and Community Banks. I apologize for getting back to you so late, but I have been exceptionally busy with NATCA actions this last week.

I want you to know I stand by you fully in this matter. Your statement was comprehensive, definitive and convincing. It is ironic that so much speculation was generated about your influence, when it is the Executive Branch, not the Congress, which distributes TARP funds. We all know what great fans you had in the Bush Administration.

I researched further online, and found this great quote from Andrew Williams, the Treasury Department spokesperson: "TARP decisions are based on merit. We have a strict process where banks submit applications to the banking regulator and Treasury will consider the applications only if recommended by the regulator." That is very clear.

I appreciated your inclusion of details of your husband's illustrious career as well. Indeed, many of the articles that sought to discredit you, tried to do so by inferring that Ambassador Williams was complicit in falsely alleged disreputable activities with you as well.

The opening quote in your statement, that all the press reports and misleading articles only revealed one thing – your advocacy of minority banks - was classic.

I think it is a sad commentary on our partisan times, when obvious acts of civic leadership are viewed with suspicion and used as fodder for slanderous witch hunts.

Best regards,

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Date: December 2, 2008

Senator Barbara Boxer
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Honorable Senator Boxer:

Congratulations on the success of last month's elections results! I don't believe we could have hoped for more positive results! I hope the new political reality will now allow room for more flexibility on the other side.

On behalf of the NATCA union employees in Western-Pacific Region, I want to thank you again for all your support in the past. Our union members have been given great hope by your letters and actions on our part this last year. I assure you, the visibility of your support directly generated votes from our bargaining unit employees!

On December 9th, we are having our annual NATCA holiday meeting, which includes a communal luncheon. I would very much like you to join us, if possible. If you could speak a few words to us there, it would be greatly appreciated. It is usually a relatively modest gathering of some 80 to 100 people.

The luncheon will take place at 11:00 at the Ayres Hotel in Hawthorne, CA. The Ayres is located at 14400 Hindry Avenue, directly west of the Rosecrans exit from the 405 freeway. The following link will take you to a map of the location.

<http://www.yellowpages.com/info-LMS52671079/Ayres-Hotel-Manhattan-Beach/maps>

If you can find time in your busy schedule, it would be wonderful if you can attend! Your presence would be greatly appreciated, and would reflect the solidarity we share in our common interests. Please feel free to bring a companion or two as well.

If your schedule does not permit you to attend, we would certainly welcome a representative from your office!

Best regards,

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Date: May 11, 2009

Honorable Maxine Waters
Congress of the United States
10124 South Broadway, Suite # 1,
Los Angeles, CA 90003

Dear Maxine,

First of all, I would like to say your unwavering support for our many Union issues, and particularly your opposition to the forced relocation of the Agency's personnel and services, has made you a local hero to us here in NATCA. There have been some exciting developments this last month. HR 915 has created quite a stir!

I would like to invite you, on a day of your choosing to visit our Regional Office for lunch sometime with the Union brothers and sisters. We have a lunch window between 11:00 and 12:30, during which we might meet.

I will coordinate the matter with our Regional Administrator. If you join us, we can also give you a tour of our facilities at the FAA's Western Regional Office in Lawndale at the same time.

I enjoyed meeting with you during our NATCA Lobby week and mini-lobby week events. I enjoy working with your office staff in both your National and Los Angeles Offices. They are always very helpful and informative.

Please let me know if we might have the opportunity to host you and your staff at a luncheon in your honor.

Best regards,

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