

United States Senate

September 16, 2019

Friends,

It is with great joy that I join the Armenian Assembly's 2019 National Advocacy Conference in congratulating my colleague Congresswoman Jackie Speier for her enduring commitment and support for the Armenian American community and U.S.-Armenian relations.

Jackie is a tenacious advocate who fights for what she believes in. I was honored to work with her in 2017 to introduce the ENOUGH Act, which will help give the government new tools to prosecute violations of intimate privacy that occur online. Jackie's pursuit of truth and justice is inspiring and I commend her tireless efforts to help us shed light on this important issue.



Jackie and I also understand the importance of recognizing the Armenian genocide. I am proud to be an original cosponsor of Senate Resolution 150, which ensures that American foreign policy appropriately reflects and acknowledges the horrors of the Armenian genocide. When it comes to crimes against humanity, we can never be silent – we must always speak uncomfortable truths about the past, lest we repeat it.

I also commend Jackie for her leadership in securing robust aid to help protect free and fair elections, the rule of law, and good governance across Armenia. Her efforts represent a powerful bipartisan consensus in Congress to affirm our shared democratic values with the people of Armenia. I am certain that with Jackie's continued leadership in Congress, we will only strengthen U.S.-Armenian relations moving forward and continue building a better future for our children and ourselves.

Congratulations again, Jackie, and warmest wishes to all attending this year's conference.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kamala D. Harris'.

Kamala D. Harris
United States Senator