Friends,

Thank you for subscribing to my newsletter. My goal is to provide regular updates on my work on your behalf in Congress.

Before discussing my work in Washington, I know many across North Carolina are concerned about the growing violence spreading in our cities coming to the Ninth District—particularly when that violence results in the murder of police officers. Recently, I attended “Back the Blue” rallies in Indian Trail and Rockingham in support of our law enforcement officers during these times. We cannot forget the sacrifices of the brave men and women who keep our communities safe and our families protected. When our law enforcement, citizens and leaders have each other’s backs, our communities thrive, and I will continue to be a champion of law enforcement in Congress.

This week, I’m back in Washington hoping to vote on a bill to fund our government and avoid a shutdown when funding expires at the end of the month.

Below, you’ll find more information on my actions in Washington and North Carolina to represent you.

Supporting order over anarchy has been a top priority of mine. After my letter with Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA) urged this policy, President Trump called for the Office of Management and Budget to investigate tax dollars funding anarchy.

This week, the Department of Justice determined Seattle, Portland and New York to be “anarchist jurisdictions” for failing to condemn violence and support police.
One America News Network about the No RIOT Act:

Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant for Town of Pembroke:

- After five years of applications, the Department of Transportation awarded the Town of Pembroke a $5.2 million BUILD Grant.
- I’m grateful for the support of my North Carolina colleagues as we advocated for this award.
• This allows Pembroke to execute plans to:
  o Create new multi-modal transportation improvements to ensure the safety, efficiency and interconnectivity between the University of North Carolina at Pembroke (UNCP), the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and downtown businesses and services;
  o Improve existing transportation and utility infrastructures, while working to achieve lower maintenance costs;
  o Boost our economy and attract private sector investment; and
  o Enhance the overall quality of life for residents, students and citizens in our community.

**Creating Hope and Opportunity through Increased Choice in Education (CHOICE) Act:**

• I introduced a bill that would give money to families who want in-person education options when their children’s schools are closed due to coronavirus.
• It would amend the CARES Act to allocate 10 percent of Education Stabilization appropriations to create Opportunity Grants—which would have meant $6 billion had my law been in effect during the first round of aid.
• Grants would be available to families whose school did not offer in-person instruction to be used for alternative education methods.

**504 Credit Risk Management Improvement Act of 2020:**

• I introduced a bill to ensure that a Small Business Administration (SBA) loan program operates at maximum efficiency to prevent government waste.
• It would solidify the role of the Office of Credit Risk Management as it oversees the SBA’s 504 Loan Program, and I am pleased it passed out of Committee.
• The 504/CDC Loan Program uses long-term and fixed-rate financing to assist small businesses with the acquisition of major fixed assets.

**Increasing Opportunities for Small Businesses Act:**

• I introduced a bill to codify an SBA initiative to educate businesses located in Opportunity Zones on resources and mechanics so they can fully utilize the program.
• Opportunity Zones incentivize private companies to invest in under-served communities to stimulate economic growth and bring good-paying jobs.
• The Ninth District is home to 13 Opportunity Zones in Robeson, Scotland, Richmond, Anson and Union Counties.

**Increasing Education Funding for Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions (NASNTIs):**
I wrote to leaders of the United States Senate and House of Representatives to request a minimum of $27 million for NASNTIs in any future coronavirus relief.

In the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, NASNTI schools were allocated just $6.1 million of the $1 billion apportioned for Minority Serving Institutions.

This money would go to UNCP, Robeson Community College and Bladen Community College.

It is an honor to represent you in Congress. If I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at 202-225-1976 or at RepDanBishop@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

Dan Bishop
Member of Congress