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DeLauro Thanks Italian-American Community Leaders for their Steadfast Support

NEW HAVEN, CT – Italian-American community leaders in Connecticut’s Third Congressional District today sent a letter to voters endorsing Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro (CT-03) for re-election to the United States House of Representatives.

In their letter, **the leaders wrote**, “We represent a cross-section of our Italian-American community who whole-heartedly endorse Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro for re-election to Congress. She has represented our community and Connecticut’s Third Congressional district with integrity, honesty, and compassion since she was first elected. Her service, to our community and this District, is about more than one issue and her dedication to our shared heritage extends beyond one structure.”

“I am honored to have the steadfast support of true champions of the Italian American community,” said **Congresswoman DeLauro**. “My father Ted, known as the ‘Mayor’ of Wooster Square, started the Wooster Square Association, and my mother who served as Alder, still holds the record as the longest-serving member. I have participated in almost every Society gathering, wreath-laying ceremony, Dinner, feast, and festival since I was a child. Together, we will continue to celebrate the accomplishments of those of Italian descent and remember how our community helped each other succeed through the struggles we faced as immigrants. I am the leader I am today because of the Italian-American values instilled in me and the unbreakable partnerships I have formed within my community”

The letter, signed by 50 leaders, represents the support Congresswoman DeLauro has from a community of which she is proud to be a part of, the Italian-America community of Connecticut.

To the Voters of Connecticut’s Third Congressional District:

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Rosa has deep roots in Wooster Square and she learned her commitment to community from her parents, Ted and Luisa. Rosa has built her reputation on the services she provides to her constituents. Let us ask the Italian-American community - Who among us has sought her assistance to intervene on behalf of a family member trying to navigate a problem with the IRS, the Social Security Administration, the Veterans Administration or some other government agency? Who among us have asked her to walk with us or provide a keynote address to one of our organizations? Who have we turned to? And where has Rosa always been? A phone call away.

Some others may have short memories, but there are more of us that remember every time Rosa has had our backs. So now we stand to have hers. Rosa DeLauro is our Member of Congress and we endorse her re-election because there is no one that will fight harder for our families.

Andrew Consiglio, North Haven
Frank Fronte, New Haven
Tony Vitolo, East Haven
Joe Colello, Jr., Hamden
William & Angela Iovanne, Branford
Henry & Rita DeBenedet, East Haven
Ralph Consiglio, East Haven
Nick Balletto, East Haven
Marc Garafalo, Derby
Anne Calabresi, New Haven
Al & Christine Paolillo, Sr., New Haven
Hon. Al Paolillo, Jr. New Haven
April Capone, North Haven
Donna Monarca Golub, Middlefield
Bill & Kathy Carbone, New Haven
Anthony & Gail DeBiase, New Haven
Laura Luzzi, East Haven
Kenneth Anthony Dagliere, East Haven
Ken Bruno, Shelton
Pat Tinto, Norwalk
Aileen Riotto Sirey, PhD, New York

Vincent Mauro, New Haven
Joe & Maria Carbone, New Haven
Anthony Riccio, New Haven
Hon. Mike DiMassa, West Haven
Frank Carrano, Branford
Alder Anna Festa, New Haven
Hon. Joe Serra, Middletown
Lisa Bassani, New Haven
Gene Ruocco, East Haven
Hon. Sal DeCola, New Haven
Hon. John DeStefano, New Haven
Alder Ellen Cupo, New Haven
Salvatore Nesci, Sr., Middletown
Cheryl & Paul Pizzo Sr., Middlefield
Artie & Angel Natalino, New Haven
Ken Saccente, Orange
David Palumbo, North Branford
Anna Scala, Stratford
Pietrina Rizzo Sappern, Milford
Hon. Gene Nocera, Middletown
Henry Cosenza, Northford

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