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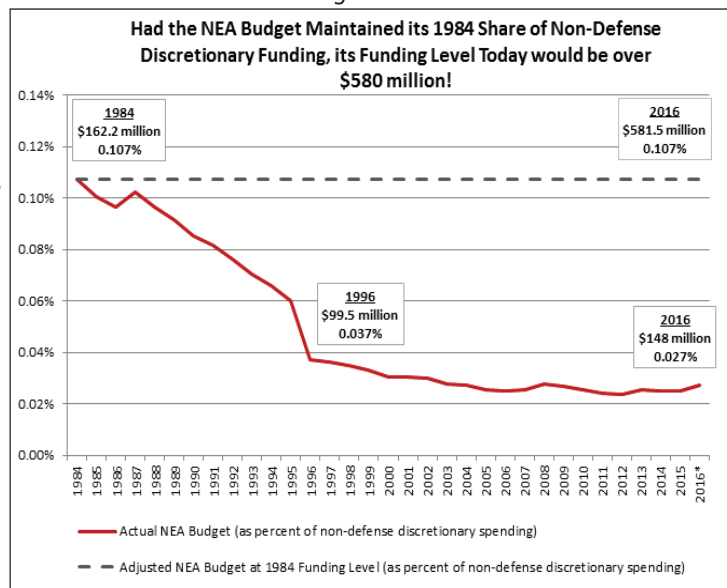
On November 8, 2016, elections will be held for all 441 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives—including delegates from the 6 U.S. Territories—and 34 U.S. Senate seats, comprised primarily of Republicans representing one-third of the Senate. In this major presidential election year when politics become more nationalized, the underlying question is whether Republicans will continue to hold their slim majority control in the Senate and their slightly safer majority in the House as a new president sweeps in new party-line voters.

To recap, the 114th Congress (2015-16) entered with great optimism for the Republican Party. U.S. House Speaker Boehner had a larger majority, and Senator Mitch McConnell became the new Senate Majority Leader as a result of the Republicans gaining control. There were promises for a “return to regular order” and priorities placed on tax reform and spending cuts, of which there was some success. For instance, the Congressional Budget Office confirmed that discretionary spending is declining as a share of the economy. But to date, no spending bills for 2017 have been signed into law. Despite Speaker Boehner resigning and new Speaker of the House Paul Ryan taking over and promoting #ABetterWay campaign, all optimism quickly vanished as deadlock again set in. This deadlock occurred notwithstanding the Senate’s historically early start to the appropriations process—and with both the House and Senate committees completing work on all 12 spending bills before the end of the fiscal year.

What’s at stake for the arts?

With a new Congress and a new Administration, there will be new policy and funding priorities as well as Senate confirmation of a newly appointed chairman for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and for the Humanities (NEH). Arts policy recommendations that the Arts Action Fund PAC has put forward to Presidential and Congressional candidates include:

1. Increasing funding for the arts to \$1 per capita (an increase from 46 cents per capita);
2. Establishing a cabinet level position for the arts and culture to advise the President of the United States on such matters as it impacts the economy, diplomacy, education, and the overall well-being of its citizens and the nation at large;
3. Fully funding and implementing the “Well Rounded Education” provisions within the “Every Student Succeeds Act” by strengthening equitable access to learning in the arts; and
4. Preserving or expanding charitable tax deduction incentives for giving to nonprofit arts and culture charities.



Americans for the Arts. *Estimated as of July 2016.

TWO-YEAR LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS TIMELINE

March 18, 2015	Karen Hanan of the Washington State Arts Commission in Olympia, WA, Melia Tourangeau of the Utah Symphony Utah Opera in Salt Lake City, UT, and Anita Stewart of the Portland Stage in Portland, ME testify before the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee in support of \$155 million in funding for the NEA.
June 16 & 18, 2015	Both the House and Senate Appropriations Committees approve sustained funding (\$146 million) for NEA and NEH. Amendments offered by Rep. Steve Israel (D-NY) in the House and Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) in the Senate to increase funding to President Obama's request (\$148 million) did not receive a vote. Notably, it was the first time in nearly six years that the Senate considered the underlying legislation. In the House, unlike the past two years, the committee also no longer targeted the NEA for funding cuts.
June 25, July 7-8, 2015	The House considers the Interior Appropriations bill on the floor. No amendments concerning NEA or NEH funding are considered. No final vote occurs.
December 18, 2015	The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016 is signed into law. The negotiated \$1.15 trillion omnibus legislation provides funding to the federal government through September 30, 2016. The NEA and NEH each see a nearly \$2 million funding increase, meeting President Obama's request of \$148 million, and breaking the cycle of what would have been five years in a row of stagnant, level funding.
June 15, 2016	The House Appropriations Committee approves nearly \$150 million each for the NEA and NEH, another increase of nearly \$2 million. For the first time, the committee includes support for STEAM, noting the value of integrating arts education into science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education to foster creativity, innovation, problem solving, and critical thinking skills.
June 16, 2016	The Senate Appropriations Committee approves only a minor \$500,000 increase to \$148.4 million for the NEA. During committee discussion, Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO) spoke positively about the slight increase, including the NEA's Healing Arts Partnership work at Walter Reed, which has seen bipartisan and bicameral appropriator support.
July 14, 2016	The House passes the Interior Appropriations bill providing nearly \$150 million for the NEA, setting up future potential negotiation with Senate appropriators later this Fall 2016, to determine final FY 2017 funding levels. Notably, the last time the House passed a stand-alone Interior spending bill was in 2009!

Spotlight on Congressional Arts Leaders & States

Several members of Congress developed key legislation in support of the arts. Other members received perfect or near-perfect scores on our 2016 Congressional Arts Report Card. **Sen. Al Franken (D-MN) was the only member to receive a 100% perfect arts score on the listed indicators.** In addition, the full delegations (all Representatives and Senators serving that state) in four states all receive a “thumbs up.” These states are **Massachusetts, Oregon, Rhode Island, and Vermont.** The members below are highlighted for their work in the current Congress in leading key pro-arts legislative proposals:



Creative Economy

In March 2016, **U.S. Senator Tom Udall (D-NM)** announced new legislation to promote the advancement of arts businesses and strengthen the creative economy. The first bill of its kind, the Comprehensive Resources for Entrepreneurs in the Arts to Transform the Economy (CREATE) Act, is unparalleled in its commitment to supporting artists and the nation’s creative entrepreneurs. The CREATE Act aims to more thoroughly serve the people, places, and programs that make our nation’s creative economy prosper. He announced the legislation to the crowd of arts advocates in Washington, DC on Arts Advocacy Day!

STEAM/Arts Education

In the House, Congressional STEAM Caucus co-chairs **Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR)** and **Elise Stefanik (R-NY)** offered an amendment in July 2016 to the bipartisan Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, to include new, explicit support for integrating arts and design skills training into career and technical education (CTE) programs, permitting states and school districts to support CTE programs that integrate arts and design skills. The committee approved their amendment and the legislation unanimously. It is now part of the underlying bill that could see further advancement this Fall. In addition, Rep. Bonamici secured support for key amendments in the new K-12 education law that expanded opportunities for schools to integrate academic subjects, including the arts, into STEM courses.

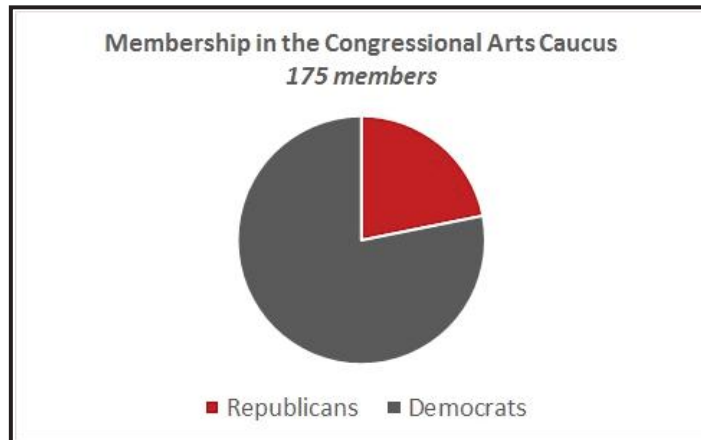


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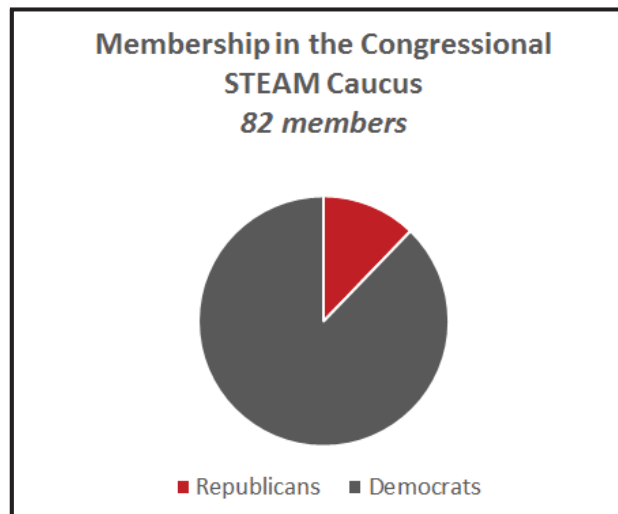
Leaders of the House and Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee also worked to provide additional funding increases for the NEA! In the House, **Chairman Ken Calvert (R-CA)** and **Ranking Member Betty McCollum (D-MN)** met President Obama’s funding request, proposing a nearly \$2 million increase for the agency. In the Senate, **Chairwoman Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)** and **Ranking Member Tom Udall (D-NM)** proposed a smaller \$500,000 increase. These bills are important markers as Congress works to determine final funding for Fiscal Year 2017 later this year or into the next.

Congressional Arts & STEAM Caucuses: Advancing the Arts and Arts Education in Congress

One of the longest-running, largest, and most active caucuses on Capitol Hill, the Congressional Arts Caucus is one of the most important congressional organizing resources for advancing pro-arts policies in Congress over the past 30 years. It is currently co-led by Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ) and has 175 members. Through various events and briefings throughout the year, the Caucus aims to educate members and staff about a wide range of arts policy. They also are the official congressional coordinating host of Arts Advocacy Day. Caucus members and their staffs are consistently relied upon not only to support arts on the House floor or in the relevant committees, but also to disseminate information on the latest research and best practices of the nonprofit arts. The Caucus continues to be an invaluable bipartisan partner for the nonprofit arts and an important ally for preserving the federal role for arts and culture in America.



More recently, the Congressional STEAM Caucus—launched just a few years ago—already has 82 members. Co-chaired by Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Elise Stefanik (R-NY), they have been a force for securing key provisions in targeted legislation, including amendments in the K-12 education law to support schools that integrate academic subjects, including the arts, into STEM courses. They also unanimously secured in committee a provision to support the integration of arts and design skills into career and technical education programs.



Upcoming this Fall, 16 caucus members are retiring, have lost their primary, or are running for higher office. Newly elected members are also likely to join the caucuses. This fluidity provides opportunities to continue to educate new members and staff about the impact of the arts and arts education in their district. For example, the caucuses are crucial in organizing members and staff to support funding requests for the NEA and block grant programs that support well-rounded education that includes the arts.

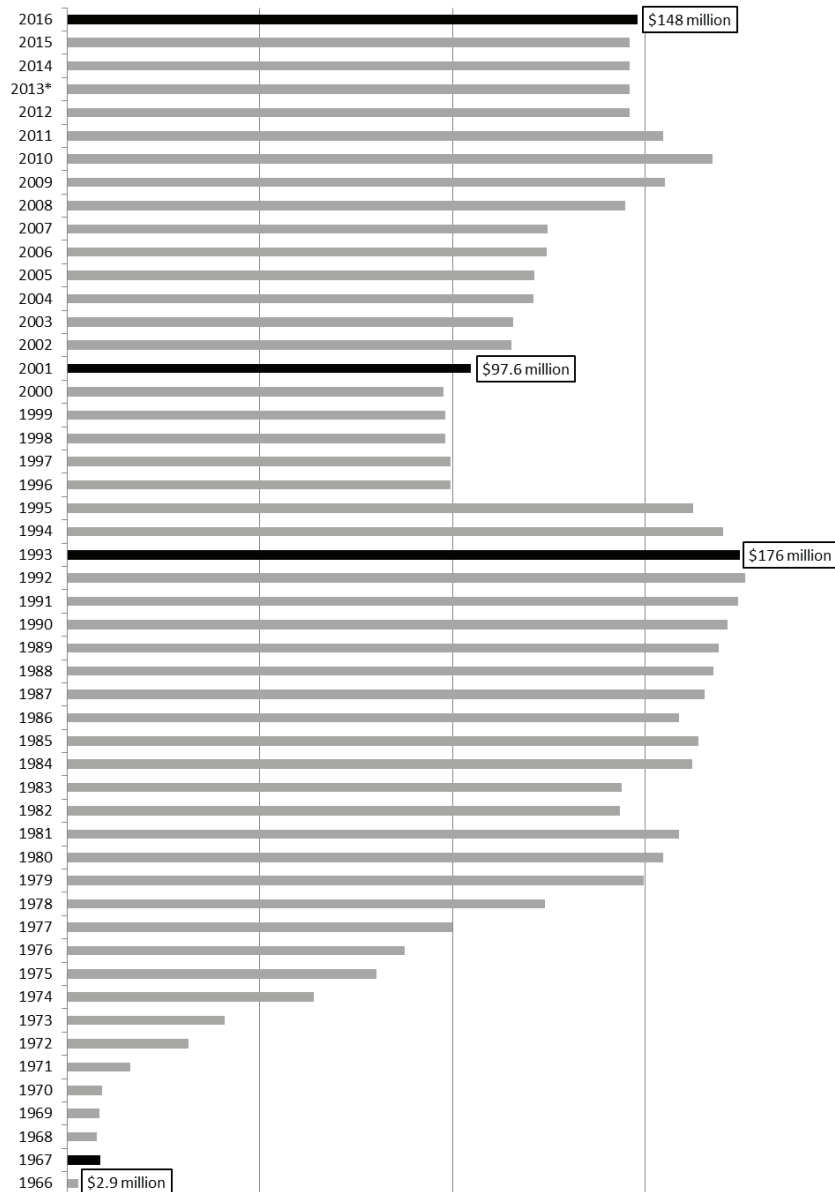
NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS APPROPRIATIONS HISTORY

Fiscal Year	Total Funds
2016	\$ 147,949,000
2015	\$ 146,021,000
2014	\$ 146,021,000
2013*	\$ 146,020,000
2012	\$ 146,020,992
2011	\$ 154,690,000
2010	\$ 167,500,000
2009	\$ 155,000,000
2008	\$ 144,706,800
2007	\$ 124,561,844
2006	\$ 124,406,353
2005	\$ 121,263,000
2004	\$ 120,971,000
2003	\$ 115,731,000
2002	\$ 115,220,000
2001	\$ 104,769,000
2000	\$ 97,627,600
1999	\$ 97,966,000
1998	\$ 98,000,000
1997	\$ 99,494,000
1996	\$ 99,470,000
1995	\$ 162,311,000
1994	\$ 170,228,000
1993	\$ 174,459,382
1992	\$ 175,954,680
1991	\$ 174,080,737
1990	\$ 171,255,000
1989	\$ 169,090,000
1988	\$ 167,731,000
1987	\$ 165,281,000
1986	\$ 158,822,040
1985	\$ 163,660,000
1984	\$ 162,223,000
1983	\$ 143,875,000
1982	\$ 143,456,000
1981	\$ 158,795,000
1980	\$ 154,610,000
1979	\$ 149,585,000
1978	\$ 123,850,000
1977	\$ 99,872,000
1976	\$ 87,455,000
1975	\$ 80,142,000
1974	\$ 64,025,000
1973	\$ 40,857,000
1972	\$ 31,480,000
1971	\$ 16,420,000
1970	\$ 9,055,000
1969	\$ 8,456,875
1968	\$ 7,774,291
1967	\$ 8,475,692
1966	\$ 2,898,308

Arts Facts . . . National Endowment for the Arts

The NEA supports the creation, preservation, and presentation of the arts in America - a profound responsibility, yet funded by Congress at a rate of just 46 cents per capita.

NEA Appropriations History Fiscal Years 1966 to 2016



* In FY2013 this total was reduced to \$138.4 million through sequestration under the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act amended by PL 112-240



ABOUT THE GRADING SYSTEM

Heading into the Fall elections, Americans for the Arts Action Fund PAC has prepared the 2016 Congressional Arts Report Card. This one-stop guide provides arts advocates and stakeholders with an interest in the arts to make informed decisions about incumbents at the ballot box. It contains metrics and analysis based on previous congressional voting records, support for pro-arts initiatives, and participation in the cultural caucuses. Because there were not enough recorded votes to assign traditional grades this year, we have provided a "Thumbs Up" for those members who have exhibited pro-arts support.




The Republican Party entered the 114th Congress (2015-16) with aspirational goals that soon evaporated, as strong partisan gridlock instead reassumed its prominence both within the Republican party and between Republicans and Democrats. Unfortunately, there were no specific recorded legislative floor votes that focused solely on the arts.

As a result, the Arts Action Fund could not assign weighted grades to each Representative and Senator this year. Instead, we took a composite of their previous rating (when applicable) with a series of current "Arts Indicators" that they pro-actively participated in to assign a "Thumbs Up" as a symbol of confidence that these Members of Congress have demonstrated pro-arts support. These designations will also serve as a guide in distributing \$100,000 in Arts Action Fund PAC gifts to incumbent candidates. If a Member did not receive a "Thumbs Up," it means that they either previously earned a poor rating or did not take substantial pro-arts actions during the current Congress. Additionally, if they were freshmen Members and they did not take substantial pro-arts action on the current indicators or if we just do not know enough about them yet, they did not receive a "Thumbs Up."

U.S. House of Representatives:

2014 Score	+	Minimum Number of Pro-Arts Actions Taken In 2015-16	=	2016 Thumbs Up
n/a		Pro-Arts Action Taken on Any 4 out of 12 Indicators		
Thumbs Up		Pro-Arts Action Taken on Any 3 out of 12 Indicators		

U.S. Senate:

2014 Score	+	Minimum Number of Pro-Arts Actions Taken In 2015-16	=	2016 Thumbs Up
n/a		Pro-Arts Action Taken on Any 3 out of 9, or just indicator #9		
Thumbs Up		Pro-Arts Action Taken on Any 2 out of 9		
Thumbs Up		Took action on Indicator #9 (special arts leadership)		

Finally, we acknowledge that a few members with previously poor or fair voting records were more supportive this Congress behind the scenes. We also recognize that some members missed important votes or signing on to Dear Colleague letters for reasons that may have been beyond their control, or believe that their committee assignments restrict them from signing letters of support before that committee. We have accommodated such conflicts by providing accompanying explanation to any leader who has exhibited exemplary pro-arts support, as indicated in column #9 for Senators and column #12 for Representatives. This Congressional Arts Report Card is as accurate as we can make it, but like any rating system, it cannot reflect all aspects of each member's performance. We encourage readers to be in touch with their own members' offices if they have unanswered questions about their members' records.

House Pro-Arts Leadership Designation

The Arts Action Fund PAC designated the following 18 Members of the House of Representatives with additional pro-arts points for exhibiting exemplary pro-arts leadership during the 2015-16 Congressional work period.

- Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-FL)** sponsored legislation (H.R. 271, Creating Options for Veterans Expedited Recovery Act) that included provisions to expand access to creative arts therapies for veterans and their families. He also attempted to get the provision included in the Jason Simcakoski PROMISE Act that passed the House in May 2016.
- Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR)** serves as co-chair of the Congressional STEAM Caucus and successfully secured support for key amendments that expand opportunities for schools to integrate academic subjects, including the arts, into STEM courses. Her STEAM amendment was included in the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act signed into law in December 2015 (Public Law No: 114-95).
- Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL)** sponsored the Artist-Museum Partnership Act (H.R. 4948) proposing to allow artists to take an income tax deduction for the fair market value of their work when they donate it to charitable collecting institutions.
- Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)** steered new funds into the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), advancing critical funding and helping prevent further cuts to the agency's budget in FY 2016. He also continued to retain the support of the Interior Appropriations Subcommittee members in meeting President Obama's funding request for the NEA in FY 2017, a nearly \$2 million proposed increase for the agency.
- Rep. David Cicilline (D-RI)** consistently leads peer-to-peer advocacy for the arts and is a frequent presenter at congressional arts events and briefings.
- Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD)** serves as co-chair of the Recording Arts and Sciences Congressional Caucus and annually hosts the Members Leadership Lunch on Arts Advocacy Day.
- Rep. Leonard Lance (R-NJ)** co-chairs both the Congressional Arts Caucus and the Congressional Humanities Caucus. In his leadership role, he advances critical pro-arts Dear Colleague letters, including support for federal funding for the arts, and sponsors briefings and events to educate members and staff about arts policy.
- Rep. John Lewis (D-GA)** sponsored the Artist-Museum Partnership Act (H.R. 4948) proposing to allow artists to take an income tax deduction for the fair market value of their work when they donate it to charitable collecting institutions.
- Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA)** led Dear Colleague letters and secured support to add "art organizations" among groups that the Bureau of Prisons can partner with to reduce recidivism, as part of H.R. 759, Recidivism Risk Reduction Act. His leadership brings the success of his work within California state prisons as a model for the rest of the country.
- Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)** serves as co-chair of the Recording Arts and Sciences Congressional Caucus and works with The Recording Academy (The GRAMMYS) to produce congressional briefings and events to educate policymakers on issues such as music creators' rights.
- Rep. Betty McCollum (D-MN)** serves as Ranking Member on the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee that oversees funding for the NEA. She champions historic preservation and support for the protection of America's cultural resources. She also serves as an Ex-Officio member of the NEA's National Council on the Arts.
- Rep. Jerrold Nadler (D-NY)** introduced the American Royalties Too (ART) Act (H.R. 1881), which works to bring fairness to American artists who, unlike their fellow visual artists in 70 countries, do not receive any compensation when their works are resold at public auction. He also champions copyright reform.
- Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)** is an outspoken defender of the creative industries. As House Democratic Leader, she works with artists, philanthropists, as well as leaders from the public and private sectors, to recognize and celebrate the achievements of individuals and organizations who have advanced cultural policy and federal arts funding in America.
- Rep. David Reichert (R-WA)** served as chair of a newly created tax working group examining charitable giving. The working group was responsible for compiling feedback about all sections of the tax code that deal with charitable giving and tax exempt status.
- Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY)** serves as the longstanding co-chair of the Congressional Arts Caucus, providing steadfast voice and support for the arts. She regularly champions pro-arts issues, including organizing members to join her letters and lend support to her efforts to increase federal support for the arts in America.
- Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID)** serves as vice chairman of the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee, which has jurisdiction over NEA funding. He is the former chairman of this subcommittee and has been a consistent advocate of federal investment in the arts.
- Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-NY)** is co-chair of the Congressional STEAM Caucus, and through her work on the Education Committee, she has successfully secured support for key amendments in support of integrating arts and design skills training into career and technical education programs. Her leadership helps to provide additional opportunities for STEAM in schools.
- Rep. Pat Tiberi (R-OH)** serves as an Ex-Officio member of the NEA's National Council on the Arts.

HOW TO READ THE U.S. HOUSE ARTS SUPPORT RECORD

- 1** Membership in the Congressional Arts Caucus as of 9/7/2016. The list is maintained by caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).

Date: As of 9/7/2016 **Result:** 175 Members **Pro-arts:** Member YES

- 2** Membership in the Congressional STEAM Caucus as of 9/7/2016. The list is maintained by caucus co-chairs Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Elise Stefanik (R-NY).

Date: As of 9/7/2016 **Result:** 82 Members **Pro-arts:** Member YES

- 3** Membership in the Congressional Humanities Caucus as of 9/7/2016. The list is maintained by caucus co-chairs Reps. David Price (D-NC) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).

Date: As of 9/7/2016 **Result:** 72 Members **Pro-arts:** Member YES

- 4** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 22, 2016, asking House appropriators to support an increased funding level of \$155 million for the National Endowment for the Arts in FY 2017. The letter was initiated by Congressional Arts Caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).

Date: 3/22/2016 **Result:** 149 cosponsors **Pro-arts:** Cosigned YES

- 5** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 18, 2015, asking House appropriators to support a funding level up to \$154.466 million for the National Endowment for the Arts in FY 2016. The letter was initiated by Congressional Arts Caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).

Date: 3/18/2015 **Result:** 134 Signatories **Pro-arts:** Cosigned YES

(Note: House Interior Subcommittee members typically do not sign these letters, but still support the ask, including Reps. McCollum, Pingree, Israel, and Kilmer.)

- 6** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 24, 2016, from Reps. Paul Tonko (D-NY), David McKinley (R-WV), and Arts Caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ) supporting "robust" funding for the Office of Museum Services in FY 2017.

Date: 3/24/2016 **Result:** 159 Signatories **Pro-arts:** Cosigned YES

- 7** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 22, 2016, from Reps. David Price (D-NC) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ) supporting an increased funding level of \$155 million for the National Endowment for the Humanities in FY 2017.

Date: 3/22/2016 **Result:** 136 Signatories **Pro-arts:** Cosigned YES

- 8** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 24, 2016, from STEAM Caucus co-chairs Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Elise Stefanik (R-NY), and Reps. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL) and Katherine Clark (D-MA) supporting full funding for the Student Support and Academic Enrichment grant program.

Date: 3/24/2016 **Result:** 61 Signatories **Pro-arts:** Cosigned YES

- 9** Vote on H.R. 644 on February 12, 2015—legislation which would make permanent three critical charitable tax extenders, including the IRA Charitable Rollover. Please note that the majority of Democrats voted against this bill for political reasons because they feared the reduced treasury revenue would give Republicans a reason to cut domestic spending.

Date: 2/12/2015 **Result:** 114th Congress, Roll Call Vote 80; Passed by a vote of 279 to 137 **Pro-arts:** Voted YES

- 10** Vote on S.1177 on December 2, 2015—final legislation to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, now called the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), replacing No Child Left Behind.

Date: 12/2/2015 **Result:** 114th Congress, Roll Call Vote 665; Passed by a vote of 359 to 64 **Pro-arts:** Voted YES

- 11** Participated in the 2016 annual Congressional Arts Competition recognizing high school visual arts students from each participating U.S. Congressional district.

Date: 6/23/2016 **Result:** 426 Participants **Pro-arts:** Participated YES

- 12** There were 18 members of the House of Representatives who received additional recognition for exhibiting exemplary pro-arts leadership. [For details, see page 7.](#)

THE HOUSE REPORT CARD



District	Representative (Party)	Notes as of 9/7/2016	2016 Thumbs Up	2014 Thumbs Up	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ALABAMA																
4	Aderholt, Robert (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
5	Brooks, Mo (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
1	Byrne, Bradley (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
6	Palmer, Gary (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
2	Roby, Martha (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
3	Rogers, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
7	Sewell, Terri (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●
ALASKA																
1	Young, Don (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	
AMERICAN SAMOA																
1	Radewagen, Amata (R)	<i>U.S. Delegates are unable to vote</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
ARIZONA																
8	Franks, Trent (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	
7	Gallego, Ruben (D)		👍		●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	
4	Gosar, Paul (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
3	Grijalva, Raul (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	
1	Kirkpatrick, Ann (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍		○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	●	
2	McSally, Martha (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
5	Salmon, Matt (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
6	Schweikert, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
9	Sinema, Kyrsten (D)		👍		●	●	○	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	
ARKANSAS																
1	Crawford, Rick (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
2	Hill, French (R)		👍		●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
4	Westerman, Bruce (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
3	Womack, Steve (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
CALIFORNIA																
31	Aguilar, Pete (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	●
37	Bass, Karen (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
34	Becerra, Xavier (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
7	Bera, Ami (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
26	Brownley, Julia (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
42	Calvert, Ken (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
24	Capps, Lois (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
29	Cárdenas, Tony (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
27	Chu, Judy (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
8	Cook, Paul (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
16	Costa, Jim (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
53	Davis, Susan (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
10	Denham, Jeff (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
11	DeSaulnier, Mark (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
18	Eshoo, Anna (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	●
20	Farr, Sam (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
3	Garamendi, John (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
44	Hahn, Janice (D)	<i>Running for LA County Supervisor</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
17	Honda, Mike (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	●
2	Huffman, Jared (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
50	Hunter, Duncan (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
49	Issa, Darrell (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
25	Knight, Stephen (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
1	LaMalfa, Doug (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
1	Lee, Barbara (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	●
33	Lieu, Ted (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
19	Lofgren, Zoe (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	●
47	Lowenthal, Alan (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
6	Matsui, Doris (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
23	McCarthy, Kevin (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
4	McClintock, Tom (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
9	McNerney, Jerry (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
32	Napolitano, Grace (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
22	Nunes, Devin (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
12	Pelosi, Nancy (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
52	Peters, Scott (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
48	Rohrabacher, Dana (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
40	Roybal-Allard, Lucille (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●

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CALIFORNIA (cont.)																	
39	Royce, Edward (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
36	Ruiz, Raul (D)		👍		○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	*	●	●	
38	Sánchez, Linda (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	
46	Sanchez, Loretta (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	*	●	●	
28	Schiff, Adam (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	
30	Sherman, Brad (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
14	Speier, Jackie (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	*	●	●	
15	Swalwell, Eric (D)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	●	●	
41	Takano, Mark (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
5	Thompson, Mike (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
35	Torres, Norma (D)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
21	Valadao, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
51	Vargas, Juan (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
45	Walters, Mimi (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
43	Waters, Maxine (D)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
COLORADO																	
4	Buck, Ken (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●
6	Coffman, Mike (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
1	DeGette, Diana (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Lamborn, Doug (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
7	Perlmutter, Ed (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	
2	Polis, Jared (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Tipton, Scott (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
CONNECTICUT																	
2	Courtney, Joseph (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	DeLauro, Rosa (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	○	
5	Esty, Elizabeth (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Himes, Jim (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Larson, John (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
DELAWARE																	
1	Carney, John (D)	<i>Running for Governor</i>		👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA																	
1	Norton, Eleanor Holmes (D)	<i>U.S. Delegates are unable to vote</i>	👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
FLORIDA																	
12	Bilirakis, Gus (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Brown, Corrine (D)	<i>Defeated in U.S. House primary</i>	👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
16	Buchanan, Vern (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
14	Castor, Kathy (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
19	Clawson, Curt (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Crenshaw, Ander (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
26	Curbelo, Carlos (R)		👍		○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	DeSantis, Ron (R)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
21	Deutch, Ted (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
25	Diaz-Balart, Mario (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
22	Frankel, Lois (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Graham, Gwen (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
9	Grayson, Alan (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍		●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
20	Hastings, Alcee (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
13	Jolly, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
7	Mica, John (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Miller, Jeff (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
18	Murphy, Patrick (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
11	Nugent, Richard (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Posey, Bill (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
17	Rooney, Tom (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
27	Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
15	Ross, Dennis (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
23	Wasserman Schultz, Debbie (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
10	Webster, Daniel (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	
24	Wilson, Frederica (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Yoho, Ted (R)		👍	👍	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	

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GEORGIA																
12	Allen, Rick (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
2	Bishop, Sanford (D)		👍	👍	○	●	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	●
1	Carter, Earl (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
9	Collins, Doug (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
14	Graves, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
10	Hice, Jody (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●
4	Johnson, Hank (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●
5	Lewis, John (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●
11	Loudermilk, Barry (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Price, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Scott, Austin (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Scott, David (D)		👍	👍	○	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Westmoreland, Lynn (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Woodall, Robert (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
GUAM																
1	Bordallo, Madeleine (D)	<i>U.S. Delegates are unable to vote</i>	👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	○				●
HAWAII																
2	Gabbard, Tulsi (D)		👍	👍	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
1	vacant	<i>Rep. Mark Takai died in office</i>														
IDAHO																
1	Labrador, Raul (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Simpson, Michael (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
ILLINOIS																
12	Bost, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
17	Bustos, Cheri (D)		👍	👍	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Davis, Danny (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Davis, Rodney (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
10	Dold, Robert (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Duckworth, Tammy (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Foster, Bill (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Gutiérrez, Luis (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
14	Hultgren, Randy (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Kelly, Robin (D)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
16	Kinzinger, Adam (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
18	LaHood, Darin (R)	<i>Took office 9/17/15</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Lipinski, Daniel (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Quigley, Michael (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Roskam, Peter (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Rush, Bobby (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Schakowsky, Janice (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
15	Shimkus, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
INDIANA																
5	Brooks, Susan (R)	<i>Running for Governor</i>	👍	👍	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Bucshon, Larry (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Carson, André (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Messer, Luke (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Rokita, Todd (R)	<i>Running for Governor</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Stutzman, Marlin (R)	<i>Defeated in U.S. Senate primary</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Visclosky, Peter (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Walorski, Jackie (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Young, Todd (R)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
IOWA																
1	Blum, Rod (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	King, Steve (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Loebbeck, David (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Young, David (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

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2	Jenkins, Lynn (R)		👍	👍	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●
4	Pompeo, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Yoder, Kevin (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
KENTUCKY																
6	Barr, Andy (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Guthrie, Brett (R)		👍	👍	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Massie, Thomas (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Rogers, Harold (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Whitfield, Ed (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Yarmuth, John (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
LOUISIANA																
5	Abraham, Ralph (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Boustany, Charles (R)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Fleming, John (R)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>			●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Graves, Garret (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Richmond, Cedric (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Scalise, Steve (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
MAINE																
2	Poliquin, Bruce (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Pingree, Chellie (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○
MARYLAND																
7	Cummings, Elijah (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Delaney, John (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
4	Edwards, Donna (D)	<i>Defeated in U.S. Senate primary</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Harris, Andy (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Hoyer, Steny (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Ruppersberger, Dutch (D)		👍	👍	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	○	○	*	○	○
3	Sarbanes, John (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
8	Van Hollen, Chris (D)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>	👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
MASSACHUSETTS																
7	Capuano, Michael (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Clark, Katherine (D)		👍		○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
9	Keating, William (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Kennedy, Joseph (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Lynch, Stephen (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	McGovern, James (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Moulton, Seth (D)		👍		○	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Neal, Richard (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Tsongas, Niki (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
MICHIGAN																
3	Amash, Justin (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Benishek, Dan (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Bishop, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Conyers, John (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
12	Dingell, Debbie (D)		👍		●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Huizenga, Bill (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Kildee, Daniel (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
14	Lawrence, Brenda (D)		👍		●	●	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Levin, Sander (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
10	Miller, Candice (R)	<i>Running for county public works commissioner</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Moolenaar, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Trott, Dave (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Upton, Fred (R)		👍		●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Walberg, Tim (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

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5	Ellison, Keith (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●		
6	Emmer, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
2	Kline, John (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
4	McCollum, Betty (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	●	
8	Nolan, Richard (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
3	Paulsen, Erik (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
7	Peterson, Collin (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
1	Walz, Timothy (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
MISSISSIPPI																	
3	Harper, Gregg (R)				●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
1	Kelly, Trent (R)	<i>Took office 6/9/2015</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	
4	Palazzo, Steven (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
2	Thompson, Bennie (D)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
MISSOURI																	
1	Clay, William Lacy (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
5	Cleaver, Emanuel (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
6	Graves, Sam (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
4	Hartzler, Vicky (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
7	Long, Billy (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
3	Luetkemeyer, Blaine (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
8	Smith, Jason (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
2	Wagner, Ann (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
MONTANA																	
1	Zinke, Ryan (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●
NEBRASKA																	
2	Ashford, Brad (D)		👍		●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
1	Fortenberry, Jeff (R)		👍	👍	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
3	Smith, Adrian (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
NEVADA																	
2	Amodei, Mark (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
4	Hardy, Cresent (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
3	Heck, Joe (R)	<i>Running for U.S. Senate</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
1	Titus, Dina (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
NEW HAMPSHIRE																	
2	Kuster, Ann McLane (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
1	Guinta, Frank (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	
NEW JERSEY																	
11	Frelinghuysen, Rodney (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
5	Garrett, Scott (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	*	●	
7	Lance, Leonard (R)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
2	LoBiondo, Frank (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
3	MacArthur, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
1	Norcross, Donald W. (D)		👍		○	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
6	Pallone, Frank (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	●	●	
9	Pascrell, Bill (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
10	Payne Jr., Donald (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	*	●	●	
8	Sires, Albio (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	○	●	
4	Smith, Christopher (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	
12	Watson Coleman, Bonnie (D)		👍		●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	
NEW MEXICO																	
3	Luján, Ben Ray (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
1	Lujan Grisham, Michelle (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
2	Pearce, Steve (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	●	●	

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NEW YORK																
9	Clarke, Yvette (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	
27	Collins, Chris (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	●	●	
14	Crowley, Joseph (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
11	Donovan, Daniel (R)	<i>Took office 5/12/15</i>	👍		○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
16	Engel, Eliot (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
19	Gibson, Chris (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	●	
22	Hanna, Richard (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
26	Higgins, Brian (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	
3	Israel, Steve (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Jeffries, Hakeem (D)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
24	Katko, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	King, Peter (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
17	Lowey, Nita (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
12	Maloney, Carolyn (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
18	Maloney, Sean (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Meeks, Gregory (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	
6	Meng, Grace (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
10	Nadler, Jerrold (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●
13	Rangel, Charles (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
23	Reed, Tom (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Rice, Kathleen (D)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
15	Serrano, José (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
25	Slaughter, Louise (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
21	Stefanik, Elise (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
20	Tonko, Paul (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
7	Velazquez, Nydia (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Zeldin, Lee (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
NORTH CAROLINA																
12	Adams, Alma S.		👍		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	
1	Butterfield, G.K. (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Ellmers, Renee (R)	<i>Defeated in U.S. House primary</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Foxx, Virginia (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
13	Holding, George (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Hudson, Richard (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Jones, Walter (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
10	McHenry, Patrick (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
11	Meadows, Mark (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
9	Pittenger, Robert (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Price, David (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	
7	Rouzer, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	Walker, Bradley (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
NORTH DAKOTA																
1	Cramer, Kevin (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS																
1	Sablan, Gregorio (I)	<i>U.S. Delegates are unable to vote</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
OHIO																
3	Beatty, Joyce (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Chabot, Steve (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Davidson, Waren (R)	<i>Took office 06/09/16</i>														
11	Fudge, Marcia (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
7	Gibbs, Bob (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	Johnson, Bill (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Jordan, Jim (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
14	Joyce, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
9	Kaptur, Marcy (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	
5	Latta, Robert (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
16	Renacci, Jim (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
13	Ryan, Tim (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
15	Stivers, Steve (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
12	Tiberi, Patrick (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
10	Turner, Michael (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Wenstrup, Brad (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
OKLAHOMA																
1	Bridenstine, Jim (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Cole, Tom (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Lucas, Frank (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Mullin, Markwayne (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Russell, Steve (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	

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OREGON																
3	Blumenauer, Earl (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
1	Bonamici, Suzanne (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●
4	DeFazio, Peter (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	
5	Schrader, Kurt (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●
2	Walden, Greg (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
PENNSYLVANIA																
11	Barletta, Lou (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
13	Boyle, Brendan F. (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●
1	Brady, Robert (D)		👍	👍	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●
17	Cartwright, Matthew (D)		👍	👍	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	*	●	●	●
6	Costello, Ryan (R)		👍	👍	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
15	Dent, Charles (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
14	Doyle, Michael (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
2	vacant	Rep. Chaka Fattah resigned 6/23/16			●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Fitzpatrick, Michael (R)	Retiring at the end of this Congress	👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
3	Kelly, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
10	Marino, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Meehan, Pat (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
18	Murphy, Timothy (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Perry, Scott (R)			👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
16	Pitts, Joseph (R)	Retiring at the end of this Congress			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Rothfus, Keith (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Shuster, Bill (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Thompson, Glenn (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PUERTO RICO																
1	Pierluisi, Pedro (D)	Defeated in Gubernatorial primary; U.S. Delegates are unable to vote		👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RHODE ISLAND																
1	Cicilline, David (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Langevin, James (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
SOUTH CAROLINA																
6	Clyburn, James (D)		👍	👍	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Duncan, Jeff (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Gowdy, Trey (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Mulvaney, Mick (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	○
7	Rice, Tom (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Sanford, Mark (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Wilson, Joe (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
SOUTH DAKOTA																
1	Noem, Kristi (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
TENNESSEE																
6	Black, Diane (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Blackburn, Marsha (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Cohen, Steve (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Cooper, Jim (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	DesJarlais, Scott (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Duncan, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Fincher, Stephen (R)	Retiring at the end of this Congress			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Fleischmann, Chuck (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Roe, Phil (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○	○
TEXAS																
36	Babin, Brian (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Barton, Joe (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Brady, Kevin (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
26	Burgess, Michael (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
31	Carter, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
20	Castro, Joaquin (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Conaway, Mike (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
28	Cuellar, Henry (D)			👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Culberson, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
35	Doggett, Lloyd (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
27	Farenthold, Blake (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
17	Flores, Bill (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Gohmert, Louie (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Granger, Kay (R)		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Green, Al (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
29	Green, Gene (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Hensarling, Jeb (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

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TEXAS (cont.)																
15	Hinojosa, Ruben (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	*	●	●	
23	Hurd, Will (R)		👍		○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	
18	Jackson Lee, Sheila (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
30	Johnson, Eddie Bernice (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	
3	Johnson, Sam (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
24	Marchant, Kenny (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
10	McCaul, Michael (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
19	Neugebauer, Randy (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
22	Olson, Pete (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
16	O'Rourke, Beto (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Poe, Ted (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Ratcliffe, John (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
32	Sessions, Pete (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
21	Smith, Lamar (R)				●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
13	Thornberry, Mac (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
33	Veasey, Marc (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
34	Vela, Filemon (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
14	Weber, Randy (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
25	Williams, Roger (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○
UTAH																
1	Bishop, Rob (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Chaffetz, Jason (R)				●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Love, Mia (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Stewart, Chris (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
VERMONT																
1	Welch, Peter (D)		👍	👍	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	
VIRGIN ISLANDS																
1	Plaskett, Stacey E. (D)	<i>U.S. Delegates are unable to vote</i>	👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	
VIRGINIA																
8	Beyer, Donald (D)		👍		○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	
7	Brat, David (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
10	Comstock, Barbara J.		👍		●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
11	Connolly, Gerry (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Forbes, Randy (R)	<i>Defeated in U.S. House primary</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	Goodlatte, Bob (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
9	Griffith, Morgan (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
5	Hurt, Robert (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Rigell, Scott (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Scott, Bobby (D)		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Wittman, Robert (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
WASHINGTON																
1	DelBene, Suzan (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	
10	Heck, Denny (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Herrera Beutler, Jaime (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	Kilmer, Derek (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Larsen, Rick (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
7	McDermott, Jim (D)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
5	McMorris Rodgers, Cathy (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Newhouse, Daniel (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Reichert, David (R)		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
9	Smith, Adam (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
WEST VIRGINIA																
3	Jenkins, Evan (R)		👍		●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	McKinley, David (R)		👍	👍	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Mooney, Alex (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
WISCONSIN																
7	Duffy, Sean (R)		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
6	Grothman, Glenn (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
3	Kind, Ron (D)		👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
4	Moore, Gwen (D)		👍	👍	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	
2	Pocan, Mark (D)		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	
8	Ribble, Reid (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
1	Ryan, Paul (R)	<i>The Speaker traditionally does not vote</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	○
5	Sensenbrenner, Jim (R)				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
WYOMING																
1	Lummis, Cynthia (R)	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>			●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	

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TOP 10 REASONS TO SUPPORT THE ARTS

- 1.** Arts promote true prosperity. The arts are fundamental to our humanity. They ennoble and inspire us—fostering creativity, goodness, and beauty. The arts help us express our values, build bridges between cultures, and bring us together regardless of ethnicity, religion, or age. When times are tough, art is salve for the ache.
- 2.** Arts improve academic performance. Students with an education rich in the arts have higher GPAs and standardized test scores, and lower drop-out rates—benefits reaped by students regardless of socio-economic status. Students with 4 years of arts or music in high school average 100 points higher on the verbal and math portions of their SATs than students with just one-half year of arts or music.
- 3.** Arts strengthen the economy. The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis reports that the arts and culture sector is a \$704 billion industry, which represents 4.2 percent of the nation’s GDP—a larger share of the economy than transportation and agriculture. The nonprofit arts industry alone generates \$135 billion in economic activity annually (spending by organizations and their audiences) that supports 4.1 million jobs and generates \$22.3 billion in government revenue.
- 4.** Arts are good for local merchants. Attendees at nonprofit arts events spend \$24.60 per person, per event, beyond the cost of admission on items such as meals, parking, and babysitters. Attendees who live outside the county in which the arts event takes place spend twice as much as their local counterparts (\$39.96 vs. \$17.42)—valuable revenue for local businesses and the community.
- 5.** Arts drive tourism. Arts travelers are ideal tourists, staying longer and spending more to seek out authentic cultural experiences. The U.S. Department of Commerce reports that the percentage of international travelers including museum visits on their trip has grown steadily since 2003 (18 to 28 percent). The share attending concerts and theater performances has grown from 14 to 18 percent since 2003.
- 6.** Arts are an export industry. U.S. Exports of arts goods (e.g., movies, paintings, jewelry) grew to \$59 billion in 2013, while imports were just \$35 billion—a \$24 billion arts trade surplus.
- 7.** Arts spark creativity and innovation. The Conference Board reports that creativity is among the top 5 applied skills sought by business leaders—with 72 percent saying creativity is of high importance when hiring. The biggest creativity indicator? A college arts degree. Their Ready to Innovate report concludes, “The arts—music, creative writing, drawing, dance—provide skills sought by employers of the 3rd” Nobel laureates in the sciences are 17 times more likely to be actively engaged in the arts than average scientists.
- 8.** Arts have social impact. University of Pennsylvania researchers have demonstrated that a high concentration of the arts in a city leads to higher civic engagement, more social cohesion, higher child welfare, and lower crime and poverty rates. The arts are used by the U.S. Military to promote troop force and family readiness, resilience, retention and for the successful reintegration of veterans into family and community life.
- 9.** Arts improve healthcare. Nearly one-half of the nation’s healthcare institutions provide arts programming for patients, families, and even staff. 78 percent deliver these programs because of their healing benefits to patients—shorter hospital stays, better pain management, and less medication.
- 10.** Arts mean business. The Creative Industries are arts businesses that range from nonprofit museums, symphonies, and theaters to for-profit film, architecture, and design companies. A 2015 analysis of Dun & Bradstreet data counts 702,771 businesses in the U.S. involved in the creation or distribution of the arts that employ 2.9 million people—representing 3.9 percent of all businesses and 1.9 percent of all employees.

HOW TO READ THE U.S. SENATE ARTS SUPPORT RECORD

- 1** Membership in the Senate Cultural Caucus as of 9/7/2016. The list is maintained by the office of Caucus co-chairs Senators Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) and Mike Enzi (R-WY).

Date: As of 9/7/2016 **Result:** 33 Members **Pro-Arts:** Member YES

- 2** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 16, 2016, asking Senate appropriators to fund the NEA and NEH at no less than \$149.8 million in FY 2017. The letter was led by Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM).

Date: 3/16/2016 **Result:** 33 Signatories **Pro-Arts:** Cosigned YES

- 3** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 23, 2015, asking Senate appropriators to fund the NEA and NEH at \$147.9 million in FY 2016. The letter was led by Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM).

Date: 3/23/2015 **Result:** 27 Signatories **Pro-Arts:** Cosigned YES

- 4** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 17, 2016, asking Senate appropriators to support "robust" funding for the Office of Museum Services in FY 2017. The letter was led by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY).

Date: 3/17/2016 **Result:** 33 Signatories **Pro-Arts:** Cosigned YES

- 5** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 27, 2015, asking Senate appropriators to support "robust" funding for the Office of Museum Services in FY 2016. The letter was led by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY).

Date: 3/27/2015 **Result:** 30 Signatories **Pro-Arts:** Cosigned YES

- 6** Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 14, 2016, supporting full funding for the Student Support and Academic Enrichment grant program, which was authorized in the Every Student Succeeds Act at \$1.65 billion.

Date: 3/14/2016 **Result:** 6 Signatories **Pro-Arts:** Cosigned YES

- 7** Vote on S.1177—Senate bill to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, titled Every Child Achieves Act (ECAA) on July 16, 2015.

Date: 7/16/2015 **Result:** 114th Congress
Roll Call Vote 249
Passed by a vote of 81 - 17 **Pro-Arts:** Voted YES

- 8** Vote on S.1177—final legislation to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, now called the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), replacing No Child Left Behind on December 9, 2015.

Date: 12/9/2015 **Result:** 114th Congress
Roll Call Vote 334
Passed by a vote of 85 - 12 **Pro-Arts:** Voted YES

- 9** Special leadership initiatives taken to advance and protect the arts, arts education, and charitable tax policy issues. For details, see page 19.

Senate Pro-Arts Leadership Designation

The Arts Action Fund PAC designated the following 17 Senators with additional pro-arts points for exhibiting exemplary pro-arts leadership during the 2015-16 Congressional work period.

- Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)** joined with Ranking Member Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA) on crafting a compromise bipartisan proposal to reauthorize the long-overdue update to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. His leadership enabled a new bill to be signed into law replacing No Child Left Behind and giving opportunity for states to expand well-rounded educational offerings and state accountability systems that include the arts.
- Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)** worked to advance full funding for the new block grant program (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants), of which 20% is directed to well-rounded education. She also serves as an Ex-Officio member of the NEA's National Council on the Arts.
- Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)** serves as chair of the Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee and consistently works to secure support for funding for the Office of Museum Services. He also was instrumental in securing time to consider and advance to a vote the nomination of Jane Chu as chair of the NEA.
- Sen. Thad Cochran (R-MS)** serves as Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee and annually helps ensure continued federal support for the Assistance for Arts Education program at the U.S. Department of Education.
- Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)** helped include Senate Commerce Committee language to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration to include support for STEAM education. The legislation recommends new outreach reporting requirements with students who are interested in careers in "science, technology, engineering, art, and math."
- Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY)** serves as co-chair of the Cultural Caucus to bring focus to the arts and humanities and the positive impact they have on our daily lives in all 50 states.
- Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY)** annually leads the funding request letter for the Office of Museum Services.
- Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT)** introduced the bipartisan ARTS Act (S.2510), a bill to better assist nonprofit U.S. arts organizations in bringing American access to international arts and culture.
- Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT)** champions the Artist-Museum Partnership Act (S.931) to allow artists to take an income tax deduction for the fair market value of their work when they donate it to charitable collecting institutions.
- Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)** serves as co-chair of the Cultural Caucus to bring focus to the arts and humanities and the positive impact they have on our daily lives in all 50 states.
- Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)** led efforts to continue authorization for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers, which support afterschool, out-of-school, and expanded learning time in schools.
- Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)** joined with Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) on crafting a compromise bill that reauthorized the the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The bipartisan bill replaced No Child Left Behind and gives opportunity for states to expand well-rounded educational offerings that include the arts. She also ensured that the Senate report clarified that the "arts" may include the "subjects of dance, media arts, music, theatre and visual arts, and other arts disciplines as determined by the State or local educational agency."
- Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY)** led efforts to extend the same tax treatment afforded to film and television producers to investors in live theater. He introduced Support Theaters in America Growth and Expansion (STAGE) Act (S. 364) to change the federal tax code and give live theater productions a tax break to encourage investment and spur job creation.
- Sen. John Thune (R-SD)**, together with Sen. Ron Wyden, worked on the Senate Finance Committee to encourage charitable giving and make it easier for tax-exempt organizations to conduct their charitable mission.
- Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM)** annually leads the federal funding request in support of the NEA and NEH. He also ushered in new legislation (CREATE Act, S.2648) to support the creative economy. The comprehensive proposal is unparalleled in its commitment to supporting artists and the nation's creative entrepreneurs.
- Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)** led efforts to secure support for inclusion of a literacy and arts education program within the Senate's consideration of the new K-12 education law.
- Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR)**, together with Sen. John Thune (R-SD), worked on the Senate Finance Committee to encourage charitable giving and make it easier for tax-exempt organizations to conduct their charitable mission.

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Lisa A. Murkowski	R-AK	Running for re-election in 2016	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Dan Sullivan	R-AK				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Jeff Sessions	R-AL				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Richard C. Shelby	R-AL	Running for re-election in 2016		👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
John Boozman	R-AR	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Tom Cotton	R-AR				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Jeff Flake	R-AZ				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
John McCain	R-AZ	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Barbara Boxer	D-CA	Retiring at the end of this Congress	👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Dianne Feinstein	D-CA		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	
Michael Bennet	D-CO	Running for re-election in 2016	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Cory Gardner	R-CO				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Richard Blumenthal	D-CT	Running for re-election in 2016	👍	👍	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Christopher Murphy	D-CT		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	
Thomas R. Carper	D-DE		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Chris Coons	D-DE		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Bill Nelson	D-FL			👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	●	
Marco Rubio	R-FL	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	
David Perdue	R-GA				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Johnny Isakson	R-GA	Running for re-election in 2016	👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Mazie Hirono	D-HI		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Brian Schatz	D-HI	Running for re-election in 2016	👍	👍	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	
Charles E. Grassley	R-IA	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Joni Ernst	R-IA				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Michael D. Crapo	R-ID	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Jim Risch	R-ID				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Richard J. Durbin	D-IL		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Mark S. Kirk	R-IL	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Dan Coats	R-IN	Retiring at the end of this Congress			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Joe Donnelly	D-IN		👍		○	○	○	●	○	○	●	●	
Jerry Moran	R-KS	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Pat Roberts	R-KS				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Rand Paul	R-KY	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Mitch McConnell	R-KY				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
William Cassidy	R-LA				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
David Vitter	R-LA	Retiring at the end of this Congress			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Edward Markey	D-MA		👍	👍	○	●	○	●	○	○	●	●	
Elizabeth Warren	D-MA		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	
Benjamin L. Cardin	D-MD		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Barbara A. Mikulski	D-MD	Retiring at the end of this Congress	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Susan M. Collins	R-ME		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Angus King	I-ME		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Gary Peters	D-MI		👍		●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Debbie Stabenow	D-MI		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Al Franken	D-MN		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Amy Klobuchar	D-MN		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	
Roy Blunt	R-MO	Running for re-election in 2016	👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
Claire McCaskill	D-MO				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Thad Cochran	R-MS		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Roger Wicker	R-MS		👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Steve Daines	R-MT		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●
Jon Tester	D-MT		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	
Richard Burr	R-NC	Running for re-election in 2016			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Thom Tillis	R-NC				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	

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Heidi Heitkamp	D-ND		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
John Hoeven	R-ND	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Deb Fischer	R-NE				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Ben Sasse	R-NE				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Kelly Ayotte	R-NH	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Jeanne Shaheen	D-NH		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Cory Booker	D-NJ		👍		○	●	○	●	○	●	○	●	
Robert Menendez	D-NJ		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Martin T. Heinrich	D-NM		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Tom Udall	D-NM		👍	👍	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	●
Dean Heller	R-NV				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Harry Reid*	D-NV	<i>Retiring at the end of this Congress</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Kirsten Gillibrand	D-NY		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●
Charles E. Schumer	D-NY	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●
Sherrod Brown	D-OH		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Rob Portman	R-OH	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
James Lankford	R-OK	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
James M. Inhofe	R-OK				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Jeff Merkley	D-OR		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	
Ron Wyden	D-OR	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍	👍	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●
Robert P. Casey	D-PA		👍	👍	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Patrick J. Toomey	R-PA	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Jack Reed	D-RI		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Sheldon Whitehouse	D-RI		👍	👍	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●
Lindsey Graham	R-SC				○	○	○	○	○	○	*	●	
Tim Scott	R-SC	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Mike Rounds	R-SD				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
John Thune	R-SD	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Lamar Alexander	R-TN		👍		○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Bob Corker	R-TN				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
John Cornyn	R-TX				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Ted Cruz	R-TX				○	○	○	○	○	○	○	*	
Orrin G. Hatch	R-UT		👍		●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●
Mike Lee	R-UT	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	
Tim Kaine	D-VA	<i>Running for Vice President</i>	👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	
Mark Warner	D-VA		👍	👍	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	
Patrick J. Leahy	D-VT	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●
Bernard Sanders	I-VT		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	*	
Maria Cantwell	D-WA		👍	👍	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Patty Murray	D-WA	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>	👍	👍	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Tammy Baldwin	D-WI		👍	👍	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Ron Johnson	R-WI	<i>Running for re-election in 2016</i>			○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Joe Manchin	D-WV		👍	👍	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	
Shelley Moore Capito	R-WV		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
John Barrasso	R-WY				○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	
Michael B. Enzi	R-WY		👍		●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●

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Charles Schumer	NY
Kristen Gillibrand	NY
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10 QUESTIONS TO ASK CANDIDATES ABOUT THE ARTS

- Q1.** According to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, the arts and culture sector represents a \$704 billion industry in America, which accounts for 4.2 percent of the nation's annual GDP and generates a \$24 billion trade surplus to the United States. What policies would you pursue to support the dynamic growth of this economic sector?
- Q2.** The nation's arts and culture sector employed 4.7 million wage and salary workers in 2013, earning \$339 billion. What specific economic policies would you propose to grow this important segment of the American workforce?
- Q3.** Federal education law has been recently updated for the first time in over a decade. This incarnation, entitled Every Student Succeeds Act, lists the arts as a component of a "well-rounded education", and authorizes dedicated funding for Arts Education programs. How will you help ensure that ESSA is properly implemented so that children in all 50 states can receive the benefits of an Arts Education?
- Q4.** There is growing momentum to incorporate the Arts into Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education to become STEAM, so that every child receives a well-rounded education and the foundation to spark innovation in the future. In order to generate a more creative workforce, how would you encourage state and local education agencies to nurture the next generation of students to better compete in a creative global economy driven by innovation and technology?
- Q5.** The budget of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) was cut in half during the 1990s and it is currently funded at \$148 million, which represents a federal arts investment of just 46 cents per American. Would you consider increasing federal arts funding for the NEA to \$1 per American so that nonprofit arts organizations in communities across the country can provide even more accessible arts programs for all Americans, including active military, veterans and their families?
- Q6.** The NEA Military Healing Arts Partnership with Walter Reed Hospital and Fort Belvoir has made groundbreaking progress in incorporating arts therapy into patient care for wounded service members. How would you ensure that every veteran has access to the healing power of the arts?
- Q7.** The nonprofit arts & culture jobs industry generates \$9.5 billion in income tax revenue back to the federal government, but these charitable organizations also rely on critical support from individuals for tax-deductible donations in order to operate their public programs. Would you continue to protect tax-deductible incentives for individuals to donate to nonprofit arts charities?
- Q8.** As you campaign in both large and small and urban and rural communities, how have you observed the power of arts to make these communities unique?
- Q9.** How have the arts, including creative writing, had an impact on your life personally?
- Q10.** Where, when and what was the last arts and/or literary experience that you took part in or attended?



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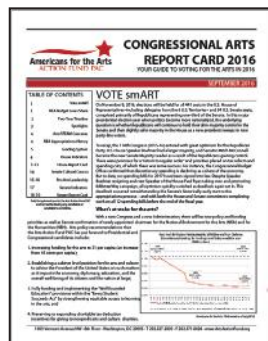
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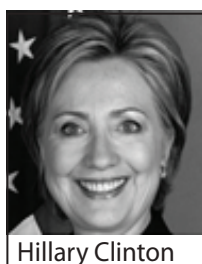
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