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Charlotte – Congresswoman Alma S. Adams, Ph.D. (NC-12), a forty-year educator and the mother of an educator, released a video message for Teacher Appreciation week. Wearing "Red for Ed," Adams addressed the continuing importance of Teachers during COVID-19.

[A copy of the video is available for download here.](#)

[Additionally, the video can be viewed on Facebook here.](#)

The Congresswoman's prepared remarks are below:

Hello, I'm Alma Adams, and I'm wearing Red for Education because May 4-8 is Teacher Appreciation Week.

These challenging times have reminded us of the incredible value of our nation's teachers. Whether you're teaching students virtually, delivering school breakfasts and lunches, or already planning for next year, we know that COVID19 has revealed the tireless dedication of our nation's teachers.

As a forty year educator myself, I know how hard you are working. This Teacher Appreciation Week, I want to thank our teachers for going above and beyond for our students, and our communities.

However, your representatives in Congress, the General Assembly, and at the School Board and County Commission level have to continue to make sure educators are shown respect for the role they play in our children's lives. Without more emergency relief, hundreds of thousands of teachers and school staff will be laid-off in the months ahead. We must honor our Teachers by giving schools and states the resources they need to avert devastating cuts to public education.

Thanks again to all of the teachers for continuing to work hard to empower and inspire students during these difficult times. You are the definition of the word "essential."

God bless you, your students, and your classrooms.

Congresswoman Alma Adams has represented North Carolina's 12th Congressional District (Charlotte) since 2014 and has served on the House Committee on Agriculture since 2015, where she serves as Vice Chair of the committee. Additionally, she has served on the Education & Labor Committee since 2015 and as Chair of the Workforce Protections Subcommittee since 2019. She has served on the Financial Services Committee since 2019.

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