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Rep. Adams' November in Review

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Adams advances legislative priorities as the 116th Congress comes to a close

CHARLOTTE – While continuing to work for Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, **Congresswoman Alma Adams (NC-12)** gained significant support for her legislative agenda in November.

Here are the highlights:

Education:

- Adams' bill, the **Apprenticeship Access for All Act**, **was included in the National Apprenticeship Reauthorization Act of 2020**, which passed the House.
- Adams **teamed up with Common to call on HBCU students and graduates to vote.**
- Adams **celebrated Charlotte's status** as the #1 location for STEM/STEAM job creation.
- Calling Adams the "Godmother of HBCUs," **Politico debunked President Trump's claim that he "saved HBCUs."**
- Crediting her decades of experience and her passage of the landmark FUTURE Act, **Adams was mentioned as a "very formidable" choice for Secretary of Education in a Biden Administration.**

Maternal Health:

- Adams & and her fellow Black Maternal Health Caucus Co-Chair Rep. Lauren Underwood **led a letter to the**

Department of Labor on Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) protections for nursing mothers. [More information here.](#)

- Adams' **[Black Maternal Health work was featured in Essence Magazine.](#)**
- Adams' bill in the **[Black Maternal Health Momnibus, the Kira Johnson Act, gained 13 cosponsors.](#)**
- During Native American Heritage Month, **[NWA highlighted Adams' work to support indigenous birthing parents.](#)**

Agriculture:

- Adams, vice chair of the House Committee on Agriculture, **[gained 9 new sponsors for her bill, the Local Farmer Act.](#)**
- Additionally, **[140 Members of Congress, including Senate sponsor Kamala Harris, now support Adams' Closing the Meal Gap Act legislation to expand SNAP benefits.](#)**

COVID-19 & Health Care:

- Adams and Rep. Clay **[led an effort to protect renters at risk of eviction during the pandemic.](#)**
- Adams gave a speech on the floor of the House of Representatives to bring attention to the **[38,000 pregnant women who have been diagnosed with COVID-19.](#)**
- Adams **[encouraged North Carolinians to take advantage of the open enrollment period for health care coverage.](#)**

Postal Service Reform:

- Rep. Adams continued to lobby for election integrity, **[blasting the delayed delivery of 2020 election ballots.](#)**

Additional Highlights:

- Adams **[released a special Veterans Day message thanking our heroes for their service.](#)**
- Adams **[celebrated the passage of the Lumbee Recognition Act, which she cosponsored in the House.](#)**

- **[Elle talked to Rep. Adams about Vice President-elect Kamala Harris.](#)**

Looking Ahead to December:

- **Adams will participate in the ["Transit is the Future" Forum](#) on December 2.**
- **Adams will host a [Holiday Resource Fair](#) on Thursday, December 3.**
- **The one-year anniversary of the FUTURE Act being signed into law is December 19.**

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