NORTON OPTIMISTIC FOR 2016 AFTER NEGOTIATING BIGGEST WINS FOR D.C. EVER IN 2015

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Works with First Republican Congress in Eight Years and Democratic Allies

Most Federal Funding for D.C. Ever – Page 2
- DCTAG 25% increase
- D.C. Transit Funding 25% increase
- D.C. Roads and Bridges 10% increase

Most D.C. Statehood Cosponsors in House and Senate Ever – Page 3

Norton Protected D.C. Laws from Aggressive Republican Opponents – Page 3
➢ Three Republican Senators running for President took aim at D.C. gun safety and anti-discrimination laws – and missed

Much More D.C. News You May Have Missed But Need to Know
➢ See inside for wins on DHS Headquarters in Ward 8 (page 2), federal employees (page 4), civil rights (page 5), and communities (page 6)
WITH SEQUESTER CUTS RELAXED, NORTON RUSHES IN TO GET FUNDING INCREASES FOR D.C.

**Gets Federal Funding D.C. Needs Most**

- D.C. Tuition Assistance Grants
  - Norton got $10 million increase for DCTAG, $40 million total
- Took full advantage of her Transportation Committee leadership role to get large funding increase and help for Metro
  - $268.5 million more for Metro, D.C. transit, roads and bridges
  - Pre-tax commuter transit benefits DOUBLED to $255/month — now same as parking benefits
  - Eighth straight year of full $150 million to fix Metro infrastructure
- More than money needed to get riders back on Metro
  - Norton bill gets federal safety oversight of Metro until DC, MD, and VA establish a safety office — help to reverse 5% ridership decrease
  - Norton amendment to end violence on buses against drivers and public
  - Restroom breaks for drivers

**Norton Ends Doubts on Completion of DHS Headquarters in Ward 8**

Norton with U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Administrator Denise Turner Roth and Senator Tom Udall (D-NM) on a tour of the construction at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) St. Elizabeths campus

Norton gets $556.7 million, full requested funding, for Ward 8 St. Elizabeths DHS campus that puts remaining pieces in place

**Local D.C. Funding Wins**

- $14 million DC Water to stem flooding, clean up Anacostia and Potomac rivers
- $5 million HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment
- $435,000 D.C. National Guard Scholarship program

**Norton Development Projects Bringing Revenue to D.C.**

- Groundbreaking for first building on old Ward 4 Walter Reed Hospital land Norton got transferred to D.C. from federal government
- Norton SW Waterfront law yields first residences at The Wharf
NORTON GETS HOME-RULE WINS, WHILE SETTING RECORDS FOR STATEHOOD

Norton Builds Historic Support for D.C. Statehood

✓ Record 93 Democrats in the House and 17 in the Senate join Norton as original cosponsors to introduce D.C. statehood bill

✓ Record 128 total cosponsors in the House so far

✓ Residents want to build on Washington Post poll showing almost three quarters of D.C. voters want statehood

Keeping Congress Out of D.C.’s Business

Norton turned back attacks on D.C. home rule by three Senate Republican Presidential candidates and the far-right House Freedom Caucus

Senators Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Rand Paul (R-KY) introduced bills to eliminate D.C.’s gun laws FAILED

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) tried to overturn D.C. anti-discriminations laws protecting employees’ reproductive choices and LGBT students’ access to facilities FAILED

Home Rule Wins on the Way to Statehood

✓ No new anti-home-rule social riders

✓ D.C. budget autonomy referendum SAVED for third straight year

✓ D.C. exempt from shut down for the third straight year
**NATIONAL WINS**

**Norton Gets First Long-Term Highways Bill Passed in a Decade**

- $64 billion increase 5-year bill
- $8 billion Amtrak improvements
  - $3 billion NE corridor
- Increased funding for lanes and trails for bicyclists and pedestrians
- Renewal of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Program to help minority- and women-owned businesses get contracts
- $100 million/year for National Park Service (NPS) megaprojects like Arlington Memorial Bridge

**Expanded Protections for Federal Workers from Identity Theft**

- Norton gets 10 years and $5 million for identity theft coverage for 22 million federal employees and retirees whose personal information was hacked
- Still insisting on her lifetime coverage bill because some personal information cannot be changed

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**A Leader in Federal Effort to Combat Synthetic Drugs**

Norton with other Members of Congress introduces a bipartisan bill to help law enforcement combat synthetic drugs. MPD Commander Robin Hoey attended the press conference, at Norton’s request

Norton cosponsored two bipartisan bills to address spike in synthetic drug use in D.C. and nationally

D.C. emergency services were called 580 times—more than 18 times a day—to respond to cases involving synthetic drugs
NORTON, FORMER CHAIR OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION, CONTINUES CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERSHIP IN CONGRESS

Norton Gets Two-Pronged Approach to Combat Racial Profiling

- Norton amendment requires **states receiving federal transportation funds** to act against racial profiling
- Secured **$7.5 million** for states to collect data on racial profiling

Norton Marches for a New Voting Rights Act

Norton marches with other Members of Congress and the NAACP across Arlington Memorial Bridge for renewal of the Voting Rights Act. Earlier this year, Norton marched with President Obama in Selma, Alabama

Norton Cofounds Congressional Task Force After 21 Transgender Killings in U.S. in 2015

“Today, many Americans are learning for the first time about transgender people. As an African American woman, I believe that the nation’s long experience with racial prejudice teaches that all forms of discrimination are wrong. Prejudice in any form retreats when the group itself and their allies step forward.”
NORTON USES CONGRESS TO GET IMPROVEMENTS FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN D.C.

Making Progress by Nationalizing D.C.’s Neighborhood Airplane Noise

- A Norton amendment requires Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to work with communities on airplane noise and flight paths
- Norton gets FAA, airlines, and community working group on airplane noise in D.C.
- Requests congressional hearing as House colleagues also confront same noise issues
- Cosponsored three anti-noise bills

Capitol Hill Open for Sledding!
Norton gets non-enforcement provision for 19th century law that prohibits sledding on Capitol Grounds – so grab your sleds, kids!

Welcoming a New Green Project at DC Waters’ Blue Plains

Norton and Mayor Muriel Bowser dedicate Blue Plains latest green project, which turns waste into renewable power – benefit to Norton’s environmental priorities and rate payers, including federal government

Norton Gets Makeover for D.C. Parks

1. Works with residents to get NPS to install special recognition for pioneering environmentalist Rachel Carson in Glover Archbold Park
2. Rescues Shepherd Parkway from persistent dumping by getting GSA to build transformative trail and new access road
3. Gets Architect of Capitol to renovate Spirit of Justice Park on Capitol Hill into a new attraction with shade and tables for the neighborhood