



President Barack Obama Endorses Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson

Miami, Florida—On Wednesday, August 3, 2016, President Barack Obama released the following statement supporting Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson’s re-election to represent Florida’s 24th congressional district.

"During her tenure in Congress, Congresswoman Wilson has distinguished herself as a fierce advocate for hardworking families to ensure that they have equal access to ladders of opportunity. As the ranking Democrat on the Education and Workforce Committee's Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, she has shepherded efforts to ensure that American workers are fairly compensated and are able to perform their duties in safe environments," said President Barack Obama. "Congresswoman Wilson brought to Congress a well-deserved reputation as a champion for children and young adults, particularly boys and men of color, and she has lent the same level of expertise and commitment to the My Brother's Keeper Initiative. This is especially important in times like this when gun violence is devastating communities across the nation. She is an influential and impassioned voice in the fight for sensible gun control measures. Leaders like Congresswoman Wilson are needed in Congress to continue to put Floridians back to work, to protect critical investments and programs like education, Social Security, and Medicare, and to help keep them safe."

In response to President Obama’s endorsement, Representative Wilson stated, “I am honored to once again receive the president’s support for my re-election. President Obama has been an exemplary leader in efforts to grow the economy and create jobs in a less than ideal financial climate. As a former educator, I have had a special appreciation for his commitment to education to ensure that all children in America have a shot at success no matter their ZIP code or the color of their skin. And, as the founder of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project, I have been especially proud to work with the president on his My Brother’s Keeper initiative and applaud him for having the courage to stand up for boys and young men of color.”

Representative Wilson, who is seeking a fourth term in Congress, serves on the House Education and the Workforce Committee and is the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

“I will continue to be a tireless advocate for my constituents and work across party lines whenever possible on measures that will help improve the quality of life in my district. I thank President Obama for his support and belief in me.”

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Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson is a third-term Congresswoman from Florida representing parts of Northern Miami-Dade and Southeast Broward counties. A former state legislator and school principal, she is the founder of the 5000 Role Models for Excellence Project, a mentoring program for young males at risk of dropping out of school. Congresswoman Wilson also founded the Florida Ports Caucus, a bipartisan taskforce that coordinates federal action in support of Florida's harbors and waterways. The Florida lawmaker sits on the House Education and the Workforce Committee and is the Ranking Democrat on the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

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