



Dear Friend,

Connecticut's Second District is home to over 10,500 federal workers, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. That is nearly twice as many as any other Congressional District in our state.

From employees at SUBASE New London to the Social Security Administration and the U.S. Postal Service, eastern CT's federal employees carry out critical work every day to support our way of life. I'm committed to supporting them. Despite some of the negative, partisan rhetoric about federal public servants, the vast majority of Americans value and appreciate the work they perform.

Appallingly, federal workers have been relentlessly pressured by the Trump Administration and the quasi-appointee Elon Musk. Last week, millions of career federal workers received an email with the subject "Fork in the Road" with a "deferred resignation offer" from Trump and Musk with no Congressional authority to push out expert, non-partisan civil servants that have long enjoyed the civil service protections of the Pendleton Act.

With the deadline to respond just hours away, federal employees should carefully scrutinize this unprecedented offer and should consider input from employee representatives if possible.

In Congress, I am pushing to advance legislation like the Saving the Civil Service Act to strengthen protections from the politicization of the non-partisan civil service and block President Trump's actions aimed at pushing out civil servants. This bill is urgently needed as a check to the Trump administration's illegal and unprecedented actions.

As I said, as you navigate this challenging time in federal employment, you should consider reaching out to your union or HR representatives for more information.

If you are a government employee with information related to the politicization of the federal workforce, the firing of civil servants, and waste, fraud, or abuse of taxpayer dollars, [you may reach out anonymously](#) to the Professional Staff of the minority Democrats on the House Oversight Committee.

As always, my office is closely monitoring the situation and are here to help the federal workforce. Please do not hesitate to give us a call at 860-886-0139.

Sincerely,

Joe Courtney
Member of Congress