When I was a child in New Jersey my grandmother was an election worker. I was so proud to see her in my elementary school on election day when my parents took me with them when they voted.

When I came of age, I voted in New Jersey. When I moved to Pennsylvania for a great job, I voted there. When I moved to Upstate New York for an even better job, I voted there for over 22 years.

When I moved to Washington in 1999, I lost my right to vote for meaningful representation in Congress. For 25 years I have been among the 700, 000 citizens of Washington DC without the right.

I love living in Washington. It is a beautiful town. Come visit us. But remember, if you or your child or grandchild moves here, you forfeit representation and the right to vote.

Please vote to pass the Resolution Supporting DC Statehood.

Thank you.