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Grand President Visits Capitol Hill, Meets with Hellenic Caucus Members



WASHINGTON (December 14, 2015)—Daughters of Penelope Grand President Connie Pilallis met with U.S. representatives, who are also members of the Congressional Caucus on Hellenic Issues, to update them on the community service provided by DOP chapters at home and abroad, December 10, 2015. The Grand President met with: U.S. Rep. Gus M. Bilirakis (R-FL), co-chair, Congressional Caucus on Hellenic Issues; U.S. Rep. Niki Tsongas (D-MA), and U.S. Rep. Dina Titus (D-NV).

“We sincerely thank the legislators for the generous amount of time afforded to us to discuss the work of

Daughters chapters in their respective communities,” Grand President Pilallis said. “In light of the Hellenic Caucus’ recent Summit on Greece, we especially wanted to update caucus members on our observations from October’s visit to our chapters in Athens and Thessaloniki. Our members in Greece are doing extraordinary work with day care centers, public health facilities, and domestic violence organizations, and we had a lot to share with legislators with regard to the impact of Greece’s economic crisis on these social services organizations.”

In addition, Grand President Pilallis discussed DOP community service programs in the United States, which also include support for domestic violence shelters and affordable senior housing.

DOP Executive Director Elena Saviolakis accompanied Grand President Pilallis to Capitol Hill.

- **READ:** [Congressman Bilirakis’ blog post on the Grand President’s visit](#)
- **CHECK OUT:** [Rep. Titus’ tweet about the DOP meeting](#)



The mission of the DOP is to promote the ancient Greek ideals of Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility, and Family and Individual Excellence through community service and volunteerism. It is an affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA).

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