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Dear Mr. Morrissey:

**Subject:** Shutdown Update; Another Federal Employees Tele-Meeting Thursday, October 23rd, 2PM Hawai'i Time; Assistance

Aloha.

As this very unfortunate and fully solvable federal government shutdown enters its 21st day and its impacts widen and deepen, I am reaching out to you again to stay closely connected as we work through this crisis together.

**Another Special Federal Employees Virtual Meeting.** First, I will host another special virtual talk story for federal employee representatives and members this Thursday, October 23rd at 2PM Hawai'i time. For me it is very important to report back and update you, fully understand your concerns, answer your questions and confirm how I can best assist. To join, please email [kirra.emptying@mail.house.gov](mailto:kirra.emptying@mail.house.gov) and she will send you the sign-on information. I would really appreciate you forwarding this invite and my update to your members so they can join as well and also get my update and offer of assistance.

**Update.** Yesterday, for the 11th time, the Senate rejected the House majority proposal which would lock in administration actions that are highly damaging to our federal workforce as well as assure a health care crisis for tens of million of Americans. It should be very clear by now that the only solution is a bipartisan compromise, and that could pass in a matter of days, ending the shutdown and health care crisis. I continue to work with like-minded colleagues in Congress to make that happen as soon as possible.

Regarding the administration's threatened reductions in force (RIF/firings) of federal employees, the temporary restraining order (TRO) granted last week by a federal court in the lawsuit brought by American Federation of Government Employees and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees is still in place. The judge further clarified that the TRO applies to all union members, even those whose contracts were terminated by the administration, and expanded the order to include employees represented by the National Federation of Federal Employees, the National Association of Government Employees and the Service Employees International Union.

**Food Assistance.** There are several caring local organizations that are offering special assistance to our impacted federal employees and your families (see my website at [case.house.gov](http://case.house.gov) for some of those details including our banks and credit unions). One of them is The Pantry, which provides free, high quality food across O'ahu with an easy-to-use, pre-order online platform and then pickup at its distribution center in Kalihi. Yesterday I joined Rep. Tokuda and The Pantry's

great community volunteers at their first special Monday distribution for federally impacted households. The Pantry will continue its focus on our federal employees throughout the shutdown with special distributions Mondays 9:30am to 12 noon. For more info and to pre-order, go to <http://www.thepantry.org>.

**Meeting Offer.** In addition to my special virtual meetings and other activities, I have been meeting with individual federal employees and groups wherever and however I can. I would welcome any opportunity to do so with you and your members, either virtually, or at my Honolulu office, or another location that works best for you (such as at or near your workplaces for those who are still working). Please let me know through Jackie Davis in my DC office at [Jacqueline.T.Davis@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jacqueline.T.Davis@mail.house.gov).

**Help For You and Your Members.** While I continue every effort to end this shutdown fairly and fully as soon as possible, please know again that my staff and I fully regret the very unfair impacts of the shutdown on your members, deeply appreciate your service, and are here for you wherever and however we can. We remain on the job, and my DC and Honolulu offices remain open throughout the shutdown to perform our legislative duties and help Hawai'i and my constituents.

If you or those you represent have any questions or are facing any specific issues, please reach out to my office at (808) 650-6688 or contact me at [ed.case@mail.house.gov](mailto:ed.case@mail.house.gov). We will do all we can to help you and others navigate this very unfortunate crisis.

With aloha,

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