

U.S. Rep. Moore: Congresswoman Gwen Moore and Congresswoman Barbara Lee introduce resolution recognizing “School Social Work Week”

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In response, she released the following statement:

“School social workers are essential personnel providing countless services for our young people who face difficult challenges that impact their ability to learn such as disability, poverty, discrimination, abuse, neglect, mental illness, housing insecurity, and familial stressors.

I know that having access to a school social worker made a tremendous difference in my life but not every student today has access to the critical support offered by a school social worker.

As we continue to address the growing mental health needs including for our children that has been documented by several organizations both before and during this pandemic, the work done by our school social workers is more important than ever. This week, I am proud to join my colleague Congresswoman Barbara Lee in introducing this resolution to thank and honor these individuals who help our students succeed every day, often under challenging circumstances.

I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues and the Biden Administration which has made clear that addressing the mental health needs of our children is one of its top priorities, to ensure such efforts include and invest in school social workers who play an important role in helping our children reach their potential,” said **Congresswoman Moore (WI-04)**.

“As a social worker by profession and Chair of the Congressional Social Work Caucus, I know firsthand the vital role that social workers play in creating a positive environment at schools. Social workers are especially trained in helped students who face serious barriers to success, from discrimination to poverty to bullying. With this year’s theme of “Time to Shine,” it is imperative that we continue supporting students impacted by COVID to not simply get by, but to thrive. I am proud to join my colleague Congresswoman Gwen Moore in introducing this resolution recognizing School Social Work Week and look forward to working with my colleagues and President Biden to support social workers everywhere,” said **Congresswoman Barbara Lee (CA-13)**.

Read the full resolution [here](#).