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The start of a new week is the best feeling for me. Every day I wake up, and give thanks that I am here in Washington DC making a difference. Monday was an exciting day full of meetings, voting, events, and incoming calls to the office. The phones were ringing



nonstop to the point they had to call down stairs to have more phones installed so the interns would be able to answer more calls. Needless to say I never felt more like a robot than today and am more than sure I had an arm workout from picking up the phone. That night I went to sleep and I literally was dreaming of myself back in the office answering phones calls. The



following day after work I decided to revisit the monuments and enjoy history and the serenity it gives to be here, especially, since the days seem to be passing by so quickly and almost near the day I must say good bye to this awesome

experience. It's been a full week of sessions, shadowing the congressman to his meetings, and other events all around the Hill. I feel very blessed to have been given this great opportunity to shadow our congressman even though I was happy hiding in the background. I was still able to meet and see very important people that held offices on the hill and also people that are very well known on the news channels. I will never forget this week, even though, it was a really busy I am



so glad I was able to be here living a dream that most people are not able to experience.

To end the week we got invited to the Pentagon which is located here in DC. A big



thanks goes to Mrs. Ramirez; the Director of the Office of Migrant Education (OME). She has been a great mentor and I am grateful for her taking us under her wing. Not only has she encouraged us to come out of our shells but to express our voices. I will never forget the great experience she has given us during our time here in Washington, D.C. During our visit to the Pentagon we were not allowed to take pictures around the base but we were able to explore all the different military branches. As we arrived we were given some background history of each branch, and a little bit of what each sector covers. Though the tour guide could not really go in full detail about each sector due to security purposes, the base was still amazing. If anyone ever gets the chance to visit the Pentagon, they do have the 9/11 memorial that was dedicated in honor of those who lost their lives during the attack on the pentagon.

In memory of all those who lost their lives during the terrible events and those who sacrificed to help those who were injured. I would like to say thank you and you will never be forgotten.

