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Mayor April Capone and State Rep. James Albis To Meet with President Obama and Administration Officials in Washington

Mayor April Capone, East Haven and State Rep. James Albis, 99th District East Haven, CT will travel to Washington, D.C. to meet with members of the Obama administration and attend an intimate reception with the president. Mayor Capone and State Rep. Albis are two of a small number of members of People for the American Way Foundation's Young Elected Officials Network, a network of young progressives in elected office, who was invited to the White House to discuss important issues facing states and localities.

"It is an honor to be invited to the White House to meet with President Obama. I will take this opportunity to discuss with him the issues that are so vital to the residents of East Haven including; the economy, healthcare and civil rights," said Mayor Capone.

"I am humbled by this chance to meet with President Obama and other administration officials," said Albis. "The President understands that the future of our country is bound to the success of our generation, and I appreciate that he has decided to reach out to young elected officials across the United States."

The Young Elected Officials Network, a project of People for the American Way Foundation, provides support and training for over 600 progressive state, county and city elected officials from all 50 states.

"We are thrilled to be able to take the observations and concerns of so many young, progressive elected officials to President Obama and the Administration," said Andrew Gillum, Executive Director of the Young Elected Officials Network. "These young leaders are on the front lines of progressive change, fighting for the values of fairness, equality and opportunity in their home communities. President Obama, a successful grassroots leader himself, understands that national movements are built by individual citizens and their elected representatives working hard to bring about positive change in their own communities. We're tremendously proud to be able to help the president get to know our communities and discuss the issues affecting states and localities across the country."

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