

ROUGH DRAFT REVISION #2

Recap - ADDAPT trip to DC – Sep 25-27, 2023

ADDAPT members made a trip to Washington, DC September 26th and 27th. The goal of this trip was to further our primary mission: bring more defense and aerospace work to Long Island and New York. This effort included advocating on Capitol Hill for budgetary support of our customers programs, and meetings with multiple prime contractors to advocate for our members as a preferred supply base. The ADDAPT members who made the trip were Jay Mulhall (CPI Aerospace), Bill Koshansky (East/West Industries), Gary Templeton (Metadure), Robert Stricoff, John Spiezio, and Joe Spinosa.

Our group visited the offices of both our NY senators, four representatives from New York, and all four additional members on the House Armed Services Committee. We have begun discussions with both LockheedMartin and NorthropGrumman with the goal of bringing their leaders in sourcing and procurement here to visit and better understand the Long Island defense industrial base. We were also able to begin conversations with Boeing, Raytheon, and Bell Flight. We are pressing these conversations forward and hope to have useful contacts for our members in Q1 2024, if not sooner.

Our group was also able to meet with the heads of acquisition for the Airforce and Spaceforce. The meetings provided us with insight into what the pentagon expects to procure in the future and how they are planning to do so. All of the folks with whom we met were impressed with the level of awareness and preparedness our base can demonstrate in the area of cyber-security. We hope to continue these conversations as well, and will expand to the Navy and Army on future visits.

This is the first of many visits and conversations, and I am confident they will lead to real results for our members and for our entire supply base.

Senate:

Senator Chuck Schumer (NY, Senate Majority Leader)

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (NY, Member SASC)

House of Representatives:

Representative Beth Van Duyne (TX-24, Member HCWM,HCSB, **Bell Flight's district**)

Representative Elise Stefanik (NY-21, Member HASC)

Representative Nick LaLotta (NY-1, Member HASC, HHSC, HSBC)

Representative Anthony Esposito (NY-4, Member HHSC)

Representative Andrew Garbarino (NY-2, Member HHSC)

Representative Mike Rogers (AL-3, **Chair HASC**)

Representative Joe Courtney (CT-2, Member HASC, HEWC)

Representative Ken Calvert (CA-41, Member HAC, Chair Defense Appropriations subcommittee)