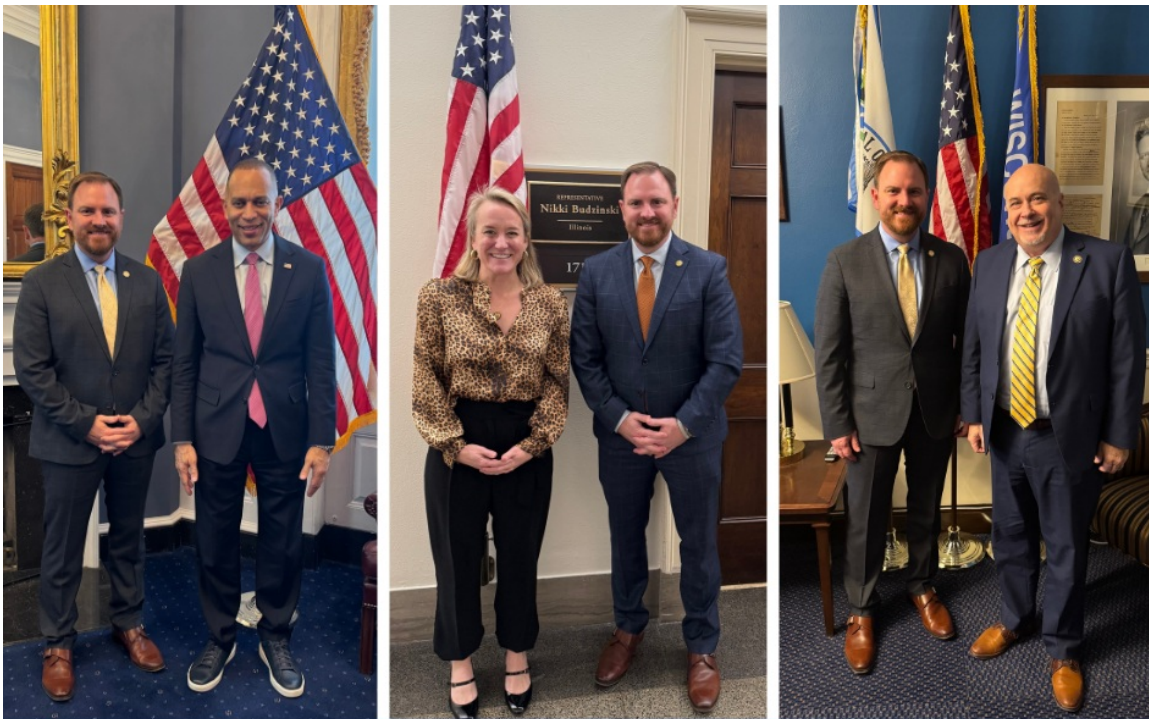




## President Nick Daniels Meets with Congressional Members on Capitol Hill

Last month, NATCA President Nick Daniels visited Capitol Hill for meetings with several members of the House of Representatives. He met with Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (N.Y.-8), U.S. Representative Nikki Budzinski (Ill.-13), and U.S. Representative Mark Pocan (Wis.-2).



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Rep. Budzinski has a long track record of supporting union causes. She spent a decade working for the Laborers International Union of North America (LIUNA), the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), and the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW).

Rep. Mark Pocan is also a longtime labor rights advocate, as a member of the AFL-CIO, and co-chair of the House Labor Caucus.

Similarly, Minority Leader Jeffries has been a friend of the union movement and NATCA throughout his tenure in the House. In 2024, he served as one of the keynote speakers for NATCA in Washington, delivering an inspiring address.

Our Union looks forward to continuing to foster strong relationships with allies of NATCA and the labor movement at large.

## Winter Weather Reminders and Resources for Members

Several recent weather systems have brought cold temperatures, ice, and snow to many parts of the United States, including areas of the south where this type of weather is not common. NATCA would like to take this time to remind our members of some resources and best practices during these winter months from the OSHA Committee, and the Disaster Response Committee.



### WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS AND RESOURCES FOR NATCA MEMBERS



#### RESOURCES

- ✓ Portable Space Heater Safety
- ✓ Disaster Response Committee



## The Disaster Response Committee:

The DRC is not just here for hurricanes, tornadoes, and wildfires. We can help during unpredictable snowstorms too. Power outages, water leaks, and prolonged heat loss are just some of the instances in which we can assist. Please reach out via 1-833-NATCADRC or [drc@natca.net](mailto:drc@natca.net).

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## OSHA Committee's Space Heater Safety Reminders:

Portable space heaters are a great option to supplement central heating systems, but due to the high-risk potential of causing a fire, the industry has strong safety guidelines regarding the use of personal space heaters. Here are a few examples of the safety guidelines regarding personal space heaters:

- Electric heaters must be labeled and listed by the National Recognized Testing Laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL) and be [free of any recalls](#).
- They must be equipped with safety features such as tip over cut off, thermostatic controls, over-temperature limit control, and automatic shutoff.
- They must be placed on the floor at least **36 inches from combustible materials** and not placed under a desk.
- When in use, the electric heater **must be plugged directly into a wall socket** not an extension cord or surge protector multi-outlet strip.

If you would like to see the full list of FAA restrictions and guidelines around electric space heaters, contact your [Regional OSHA Representative](#).

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***Contact your local OSHA Rep. with any questions***

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