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Congresswoman Davis Honored for Support of Impact Aid

Washington, DC – September 27, 2018 – The National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) has recognized Congresswoman Susan Davis (D-CA) with the Friend of NAFIS Award. This award, which was presented at the 2018 NAFIS Fall Conference, celebrates recipients for outstanding contributions to the Impact Aid Program.

Impact Aid reimburses school districts for the loss of revenue caused by the presence of nontaxable Federal property, including military installations; Indian Trust, Treaty and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act lands; Federal low-income housing facilities; and national parks, national laboratories and other Federal buildings and property. It helps ensure students who attend schools on or near Federal property have access to a quality education.

Congresswoman Davis serves as Co-Chair of the House Impact Aid Coalition, and in this role she consistently supports and advocates for the Impact Aid program. She co-leads the annual, bipartisan letter in support of Impact Aid funding. Recently, she joined efforts to protect Impact Aid from a plan to redirect up to a third of its funding to private school vouchers. Through her roles on both the House Armed Services and Education and the Workforce Committees, she educated her colleagues on the harm that proposed legislation would cause to federally impacted school districts—those that receive Impact Aid—and the students they serve, including thousands of military connected students in the San Diego area.

“Congresswoman Davis has played an integral role in ensuring that federally impacted school districts have the resources they need to offer the quality of education students deserve,” said NAFIS Executive Director Hilary Goldmann. “Impact Aid pays for teacher salaries, school counselors, technology, after-school activities and other education programming and supports based on local needs. School districts in California and across the nation rely on Impact Aid to give students access to opportunities they need to succeed in school and life.”

The entire Impact Aid community joins together in thanking Congresswoman Davis for her work to strengthen and protect Impact Aid.

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The National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) represents the 1,200-plus federally impacted public school districts that together educate more than 10 million students across the nation. Federally impacted school districts are those located on or near nontaxable Federal property—including military installations; Indian Trust, Treaty and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act lands; Federal low-income housing facilities; and national parks, national laboratories and other Federal buildings and property. These school districts, which are demographically and geographically diverse, receive Impact Aid, a Federal education program that reimburses school districts for the lost local revenue and additional costs associated with the presence of Federal property. To learn more, visit www.nafisd.org.