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**32nd District Democrats invite
high school students to apply
for summer Washington program**

WOODBURY — Area high school students will have the opportunity to experience the legislative and political workings of the nation's capital from an insider's perspective as participants in a four-day internship program this June sponsored by Democratic town committees in the 32nd State Senate District.

Applications to join the Washington D.C. Internship Program from June 24 through 27 are now being accepted from high school students who will be entering junior or senior year in fall 2008. Participation is open to students who reside in one of the 10 towns that compose the 32nd District, including Woodbury, Southbury, Middlebury, Bethlehem, Roxbury, Bridgewater, Watertown, Thomaston, Oxford and Seymour.

A highlight of the internship program will be a visit to the Capitol Hill office of Congressman Chris Murphy (D-5th), who discussed the legislative process with visiting student participants in the previous Washington trip sponsored by local Democratic town committees in June 2007. This year's program also will feature visits to Democratic National Committee headquarters and other Connecticut congressional offices, as well as sightseeing tours of the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian Institution, national monuments and museums, and other points of interest in the capital.

The Woodbury Democratic Town Committee will dedicate a portion of the proceeds from its spring "Reds, Whites and the Blues" fundraising event at the Woodbury Senior and Community Center on March 29 to assist in meeting student costs during the internship program. Other members of the Democratic 32nd District town committee consortium are also invited to assist in funding the Washington trip. Participating students will pay for their transportation, as well as any unfunded portion of the cost for their accommodations.

Interested students may download an application for the 2008 internship program at the Woodbury DTC Web site, www.woodburydems.org, or may request an application by calling Woodbury DTC member Kathleen Sobolewski at (203) 263-5136. The deadline for submission of completed applications is Friday, March 28. Selections will be announced by May 1.