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## Activity 5

Upon viewing the website of the U.S House of Representatives, I used the lookup tool to enter my zip code in order to find my local representative. According to the website, the representative for my zip code is Nicole Malliotakis who is located in the 11th Congressional district of New York; her office is located on Staten Island which is my borough of residence, but is temporarily closed. Upon exploring the website more, I found a link under her name that took me to an information page. On this page was listed all of the different organizations that she takes part in as well as different pages that list her different view points on the economy, education, social services and other hot government topics.

The three committees she currently serves on are the House Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, the House committee on Ways and Means and the Assistant whip for the House Republican conference. Nicole also serves on many different caucus committees which include the Conservative Climate, Congressional Hellenic and Republican Israel caucus; A caucus is a gathering of local voters that come together to vote for a specific person of a committee. This page also gave access to the most recent votes on legislation; what the vote was for and whether or not the representative agreed with the bill being set in place. Some of the bills included whether or not to determine whether or not to terminate the requirement imposed by the Director of the CDC for proof of COVID-19 vaccination for foreign travelers and to

condemn the Chinese Communist Party's use of a high-altitude surveillance balloon over United States territory as a brazen violation of United States sovereignty; two bills to which I am not familiar with.