

Mr. Semel's email reply Feb. 22, 2019, to readers asking the Post to reinstate its regular coverage of the votes of Maryland and Virginia members of Congress:

Dear Mr. _____,

Thanks for your email. We appreciate that a vast majority of our readers are engaged and active citizens. It's one reason why we do this for a living!

It's also one reason we've eliminated printing the results of how elected representatives have voted. This information is readily available online. Here for example: <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2019/roll087.xml>

Many of our readers seek out this information independently of The Post and they don't need us for that. It's one reason we stopped printing complete stock tables every day.

We have to make difficult decisions as to where to devote our resources. We have leaned toward dedicating those resources to uncovering news and information that is more difficult to get than how representatives have voted.

We greatly appreciate your readership and your interest in our content. We are constantly evaluating and reevaluating what we do. Input from our readers is a great guide and we will consider your thoughts moving forward.

Thanks again for the email and the readership.

Mike