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HELLO NEIGHBORS,

For the first time in 12 years, Pennsylvania House Democrats have the majority. That means it's time to fight harder than ever to make direct, tangible improvements in the lives of all Pennsylvanians. To that end, my work in Harrisburg has already begun. My focus is where it always has been: empathetic solutions to the issues that affect us all. This session, I plan to introduce legislation that would:

- **Increase the supply of affordable housing** by giving tenants and nonprofits or housing authorities the right of first refusal should their building be sold, allowing them the first opportunity to buy it from their landlord at a fair market price.
- **Combat rising property taxes** by allowing Pittsburgh the option of enacting a Longtime Owner Occupant Program (LOOP), which would help homeowners better manage property taxes in gentrifying neighborhoods.
- **Protect the right to vote and ensure accurate voter rolls** by implementing automatic voter registration, unless they opt out, when they interact with any state agency, department, board, commission, or office of the executive branch. Twenty states and the District of Columbia have implemented automatic voter registration, and evidence shows that automatic voter registration saves money, increases accuracy of voter rolls, and boosts voter participation.

- **Hold giant corporations accountable who take advantage of communities and consumers** by creating a state anti-trust act called the Open Markets Act, protecting consumers and local business owners by prohibiting anti-competitive behavior and keeping markets open and fair. This legislation would complement another bill aimed at eliminating price gouging. In addition, the PA Open Markets Act would empower the Attorney General to investigate companies that attempt to monopolize any part of our economy.
- **Put more money into the pockets of working people** by creating the Working Families Tax Credit for Pennsylvania. Inspired by the federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), this legislation would directly help uplift the financial well-being of working families.

There are many additional measures I'm working on that include maintaining vibrant Main Streets, creating clean and green programs for our neighborhoods, and more support for mental health and addiction services.

As always, I work for you. As I continue to build bridges to deliver for our neighbors in Harrisburg and right here at home, know that I'm always keeping you at the forefront. It's only with your input that I can help us create a better future for us all.

IN WITH THE NEW



THE SHAPIRO-DAVIS ADMINISTRATION

At the state level, Pennsylvania has seen some major changes this year, and I'm incredibly excited about what they mean for the commonwealth's future. This past November, Pennsylvania elected Gov. Josh Shapiro as our next leader, and I couldn't be more excited to work with him and Lt. Gov. Austin Davis to produce real change for all Pennsylvanians. The legislative process is never without compromise and with the Shapiro-Davis administration and a Democratic majority in the state House, I'm confident that we'll continue to build consensus around crucial policy issues.

HOUSE SPEAKER JOANNA MCCLINTON

This February, House Speaker Joanna McClinton made history by becoming the first woman speaker of the state House. I couldn't be prouder to work in the people's House with Speaker McClinton as our leader. Speaker McClinton will lead Pennsylvania into the future it's ready for—one where empathy leads our policies and where everyone's voice is heard. I look forward to working with Speaker McClinton to build a better future for us all.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SHREDDING EVENT:

WHEN: April 15, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

WHERE: 160 52nd St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201

Do you have important personal documents you'd like to dispose of in a secure way? We can help! On **April 15**, I'm partnering with state Sen. Lindsay Williams to kick off our next shredding event. From 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., stop by and quickly dispose of any documents you'd like to get off your desk. Our shredding events are quick, easy, and free, and I'd love to see you there!

DISTRICT OFFICE OPEN HOUSE:

WHEN: April 27, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

WHERE: 5154 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201

This April, stop by my District Office in Lawrenceville and join me and the D21 Team for an Open House! We'd love to talk with you in person about the issues that matter to you most and how we can best help you and your loved ones.

BLOOD DRIVE:

WHEN: June 15, Noon – 6 p.m.

WHERE: 4701 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201

This summer, my office is hosting a blood drive to help our neighbors most in need. A single donation can save up to three lives and takes less than twenty minutes to complete. Join my office on June 15 at Teamsters Local 249 Union Hall and help save a life.



HELP WITH PROPERTY TAX/ RENT REBATE APPLICATIONS

This year, the District 21 team and I are travelling to apartment complexes and senior living centers across the district to assist with Property Tax/Rent Rebate applications.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program is open to residents 65 or older, widows and widowers 50 or older, and people with a disability 18 or older. Eligible homeowners must have a household income of \$35,000 or less, while renters must have a household income of \$15,000 or less. The maximum standard rebate is \$650.

If you think you qualify for a property tax or rent rebate but are unsure how to fill out the application, let us do the work for you: contact my office to schedule a time where we can help you apply. It's a quick process that will have you in and out of the office in ten minutes.

IN THE COMMUNITY



City and state collaboration is one of the many keys to progress. Mayor Ed Gainey and I attended the City & State Power 100 List and discussed how best to use our positions to serve the people of Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania.



There are big things happening in Etna! State Sen. Lindsey Williams and I checked out the ongoing development of the Etna library, a project that would bring countless resources to so many of our neighbors. I'm proud to support projects like this in my district.

Leading on Securing Free and Fair Elections in our Commonwealth

This past February, I led a policy hearing with my House colleagues right here in Pittsburgh on voter registration and the election process in Pennsylvania. My goal was to highlight the responsibility state legislators have in keeping our elections accessible, safe, and fair. During the hearing, we did just that.

County officials testified to the daily, round-the-clock work they do to prepare for elections, as well as what changes would make their work, along with all elections in Pennsylvania, more efficient. The biggest takeaway? Ballot pre-canvassing needs to take place earlier than 7 a.m. on the day of elections, which is currently the earliest that elections officials can start. Pre-canvassing would give Pennsylvania counties the time they need to count all mail-in votes they receive, and would allow more prompt, efficient result announcements.

An overwhelming number of county election officials have requested additional time to prepare mail-in



ballots for counting, and that's something we as legislators have the power to give them. By allowing earlier pre-canvassing, we would preserve election integrity and further secure the democratic process. We have the power to make this bipartisan change for Pennsylvania, and I'm going to keep fighting to ensure that we do.

I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

It is important to me to hear from you, the people I have the honor to represent. Please consider filling out this survey and returning it to my district office at 5154 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

Or, you can scan the QR code to take the survey online!



What are the most important issues to you this year?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Voting rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protecting your right to clean air and water | <input type="checkbox"/> Improving access to health care for Pennsylvanians |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making corporations pay their fair share of taxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable child care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription drug costs | <input type="checkbox"/> COVID-19 pandemic and recession relief |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and transit | <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign finance reform |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive health care | <input type="checkbox"/> Rebuilding our roads, bridges and communities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compassionate solutions to the opioid crisis | <input type="checkbox"/> School funding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing the minimum wage | <input type="checkbox"/> Securing/protecting civil rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal justice reform | |

What other issues are important to you and your family?

Name: _____

Street address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

**I would like to be contacted regarding these issues.
Please contact me via**

- Phone Email

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