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Dear Neighbor,

As 2021 ends, let's reflect on the accomplishments we achieved, the hardships we overcame and the work that lies ahead.

This year, our office continued assisting you during COVID-19, providing important resources and relief to help you and your family make it through and recover from this pandemic safely.

I helped pass a state budget that made the largest public school funding increase ever in Pennsylvania and made historic investments in our fight to reduce gun violence that support several local organizations dedicated to working with our young people to stop the killings.

As we head into the new year, know you are not alone. My office remains a resource hub to connect you with the assistance you need when you need it.

I wish you and your family a happy holiday and new year filled with peace and joy!

Sincerely,

Joanna E. McClain

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Combating the tangled title crisis

More than 10,000 homes in Philadelphia have unclear owners and are caught in what's called a tangled title. This often happens when a person is living in a house that is still in the name of a deceased loved one, like a parent or grandparent.

Tangled titles threaten to keep people from qualifying for home repair assistance or taking out a loan, leave them vulnerable for deed theft, and prevent them from selling or even keeping their house. Research shows areas with tangled titles have higher rates of gun violence, poverty and blight.

In December, I teamed up with the Philadelphia Register of Wills for a webinar to detail the financial and legal aid available to untangle titles and ways to prevent them from happening.

If you have questions about tangled titles, call my office for assistance.



Home heating help is available

Pennsylvania's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program is again accepting applications.

LIHEAP helps eligible individuals and families cover heating bills through a one-time cash grant sent directly to their heat provider that does not have to be repaid.

Households in immediate danger of being without heat may also be eligible for crisis grants.

Make sure to call my office for help applying for LIHEAP along with information about other financial assistance that utility companies are offering to keep your home warm this winter.

Securing stop signs to improve safety

For more than ten years, our Webster Street neighbors fought to get stop signs on 61st and 62nd streets after seeing far too many accidents and other safety concerns.

This fall, I worked alongside state Sen. Anthony Williams, Councilmember Jamie Gauthier, and the Philadelphia Streets Department to deliver results.

I am proud to report that stop signs were placed on 61st and 62nd streets reaching from Catherine Street to Cobbs Creek Parkway.

If you have a safety issue on your block that you need addressed, please reach out to my office.



Using your smartphone, scan the QR Code to hear more about the collaborative effort that made these new stop signs possible.

Interrupting the cycle of gun violence takes all of us

Our fight to save lives never stops! I am proud to work with so many dedicated groups and organizations in our communities that share my commitment to stopping gun violence and providing our neighbors with a safe place to call home.



I helped secure more than \$764,000 to invest in their efforts to interrupt this deadly cycle by providing jobs, mentors, and other critical resources that guide our young people down a path of success and away from this public health crisis.



Truly appreciative of everyone who attended my Faith Legislative Leaders Day in Harrisburg. My office is always here to connect our clergy and faith-based organizations with resources to help them meet the needs of our communities.

STOP N' GO AND LIQUOR CODE VIOLATIONS

DO YOU KNOW OF A NUISANCE ESTABLISHMENT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?
DO YOU NEED TO FILE A COMPLAINT?

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IDENTIFY A VIOLATION

1. Insufficient seating
2. Insufficient food items
3. Insufficient eating utensils
4. Selling alcoholic beverages on Sunday from 2 a.m. to 11 a.m.
5. Not a real restaurant
6. Selling alcohol off premises
7. Expired health permit
8. Expired liquor license
9. Selling alcohol to a minor
10. Failure to post "No Smoking" signage

COLLECT EVIDENCE

Record the date and time of the incident, the nature of the incident or inaction, and take time-stamped photographs if possible.

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WHAT SHOULD YOU HAVE WHEN FILING YOUR COMPLAINT?

Get the liquor license ID number if possible and know the exact address of the nuisance establishment.

WHO SHOULD YOU CONTACT?

1. PA Liquor Control & Enforcement: (215) 218-2320
2. District Attorney's License Complaint Hotline: (215) 686-5858
3. PA Liquor Control Board License Hotline: (717) 787-5411
4. Contact your local police department.

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FILE A COMPLAINT ONLINE

1. Complete the PA State Police online complaint form at: psp.pa.gov/LCE/Pages/report-a-violation.aspx
2. Email the Liquor Control Board at: RA-LBCompliance@pa.gov

Stop-and-go businesses remain a major safety concern in our neighborhoods. We hosted a town hall meeting in southwest Philly in November to address the ongoing issue.

You can help in our fight to protect our communities by reporting these nuisance establishments to the proper authorities. Follow the instructions in the graphic above and call my office for further assistance.

Everyone 16 and older eligible for COVID-19 booster shot

People 16 and older are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 booster shot. I received mine at Sayre Health Center.

Remember, children as young as five can get vaccinated through Pfizer's pediatric immunization.

I can't stress enough that the best defense against COVID-19 is getting vaccinated.

Here's where you can get yours:

Sayre Health Center

227 South 59th St. | Philadelphia, PA 19139
(215) 474-4444

sayrehealth.org/covid-19-vaccines

Neighborhood Compounding Pharmacy

5701 Chestnut St. | Philadelphia, PA 19139
(215) 307-3609

neighborhoodpharmacyrx.com

ACANA

Wednesdays | 10am-4pm
5530 Chester Ave. | Philadelphia, PA 19143
(215) 729-8225

Find vaccine sites near you.
Vaccines.gov | phila.gov



Honored to welcome students from Boys' Latin Charter School to the Capitol. I got to talk with them about our work in Harrisburg and the issues we're working on here to help them and other young people at home succeed.

Serving the Community

1 Always look forward to our annual Back to School Resource Fairs to provide students in Philly and Delco with the tools they need to help them flourish in the classroom. A special thanks to all of our community partners who helped make both events a success.

2 Proud to join Philadelphia Parks and Recreation, Councilmember Jamie Gauthier, the president of the Giant Company and our neighbor Lamont Jones to cut the ribbon on the new basketball court at Whitby Avenue Playground in Cobbs Creek.

3 Very grateful to team up with Aetna; King Saladeen; Create, Motivate & Inspire; Born Family Leader; and several other community partners in November to give away 1,000 free turkeys in Philly and Delco ahead of Thanksgiving.

4 In October, I hosted our Southwest Philly Resource Fair! From great family fun and costumes to important information about health services and other state-related programs, this event had something for neighbors of all ages to enjoy.

5 Helped cut the ribbon on the newest section of Schuylkill Banks next to Bartram's Garden in November. Glad to be part of the collaboration that made this multimillion-dollar project possible.

6 Thrilled to welcome the secretary of the PA Department of Community and Economic Development to tour our growing business corridor. We are particularly excited about the Africa Town project that will be on Woodland and Chester avenues thanks to our partner ACANA.





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2021 *by the numbers*



\$14.7 million secured



Mark Your Calendar for Mobile Offices

Darby Mobile Office

First Thursday of every month

6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Darby Borough

Recreation Center

1022 Ridge Ave., Darby

Eviction and Foreclosure

Prevention Outreach

First Wednesday of every month

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

52 S. 60th St., Philadelphia

UESF Mobile Office

Housing Assistance

Fourth Monday of every month

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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Yeadon Mobile Office, First Thursday of every month • 10 a. m. – 2 p.m.

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