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#### **FALL 2022**



#### I'LL SEE YOU AROUND!!

For the past six years, I have served as the state representative of the elite 203rd Legislative District. However, long before that I was a resident and community supporter. I enjoyed being the voice of justice, policy making and advocate for all in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

To date, I've provided services for hundreds of constituents. I have joined you and many organizations sharing resources, educating, celebrating accomplishments, and having fun. This will not stop. You will see me around, joining in community events and being a voice within the community. I implore you to join me to continue to keep West Oak Lane proud, clean and safe. Gather resources, educate each other and share. As you have done with me, continue to keep the leaders in the community informed.

#### SUPPORTED VARIOUS COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Lawncrest 4th of July Parade
- Work Ready Employment and Youth Interns
- School District of Philadelphia Network 6 Community Day
- Nicetown CDC Walk for Peace
- Bully Prevention Press Conference
- Sisters Surviving Breast Cancer
- Annual Feeding 1000
- Penn Asian Senior Services (PASSi) Mural Arts Dedication
- AKA Sorority, Inc, Omega Omega Chapter and Canaan Baptist Church Gun Violence Conference
- AKA Sorority, Inc. Breast Cancer Survivors Breakfast
- City of Philadelphia Annual Veterans Day Parade
- National Church Ushers of America, Inc. Convention
- Ribbon Cutting at Penn Asian Services Evergreen Center
- NCCC Unity Day in Vernon Park

- Community College of Philadelphia Annual High School Law Day
- West Oak Lane Charter Volunteer Appreciation Celebration and Virtual Alumni Day
- Oak Street Health Anniversary Celebration
- Hope 4 Philly Community Event
- Annual Back to School Festival
- Annual Give Back Festival
- 35th Police District Unity Day
- Ribbon Cutting School Based Health Center
- Imhotep Charter High School Public Servant Recognition Day
- Virtual Non-Profit Grant Seminar
- Northwest Community Collaboration Project
- NW COVID Education & Vaccine Distribution
- Unity in the Community



#### PROPOSED LEGISLATION

HB 2562 Would establish the Safe Communities Grant Program and fund.

<u>HB 1245</u> THIS IS NOW A LAW!! Legislation supporting coverage for additional screening for women with dense breast issues whose Mammograms have been unable to adequately detect issues.

**HB 807** Proposing legislation that will mandate environmental contamination assessments and remediation of certain sites that have previously used chemicals in the process of doing business and that propose to house child day care centers in Pennsylvania.

**HB 697** Prime Sponsor with Representative Murt (R) - The Homeless Bill of Rights would protect the civil and human rights of homeless people and ensure that no individual should suffer unnecessarily, be denied basic rights or be subject to unfair discrimination based on their homeless status.

**HB 699** This legislation would enforce safe storage for firearms.

**HB 690** Would require individuals to specify they have a concealed carry permit on their driver's license and photo identification.

**HB 698** Would establish a 72-hour waiting period for purchases of semi-automatic assault rifles.

<u>HB 689</u> Legislation proposing all day kindergarten for ages 3-5 years old by 2020-2021 school year.

**HR 66** Mandating impact study of universal free full day kindergarten for all 5-year olds.

<u>HB700</u> Dignity for incarcerated women would require correctional institutions to provide at least two varieties of sanitary pads and two varieties of tampons to all female inmates at no cost, regardless of their financial means.

**HB688** Would establish the Veterans Housing Assistance Program.

**HB968** Would provide access to advanced placement courses for all students.

#### 2022-2023 State Budget Agreement

Early in July, the General Assembly finalized a state budget that includes a few good items for folks all across the commonwealth. There are funding increases in this budget that will provide money for a variety of important, quality-of-life programs and services including basic education, violence prevention, mental health and property tax/rent rebate program. And while this was a bipartisan agreement, there is so much more to do to make sure people — children, older adults, folks with special needs - don't fall through the cracks. There is more to do to fund community safety programs and gun violence prevention. We can't take our foot off the gas right now. We need to keep working toward more support for these very important needs."

Some points from the \$42 billion plan include a basic education funding increase of almost \$750 million, including \$225 million for Level Up funding to the state's poorest school districts, as well as a special education funding increase of almost \$100 million. There is another \$100 million each for mental health, and school safety and security. Violence intervention and prevention grant programs receive \$75 million and \$125 million is appropriated for the Whole Home Repairs Grant Program.

### Money Brought Back to the 203rd

- \$400,000.00 Rebuilding Together Philadelphia
- ■\$1.7 Million Golden Age Living Accommodations (GALA)
- \$2 Million Simons
  Recreation Center
- **\$2 Million** Lawncrest Recreation Center
- \$1,000 PLBC James Roebuck Scholarship

#### **CREATED & HOSTED EVENTS**

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service and Everyday Heroes
- Family Health Fair and Fun Day
- Super Saturday Resource Fair and Street Renaming Ceremony
- District Office Open House
- 10th, 35th and 61st Ward Quality of Life Town Hall Meeting
- Career Days in 203rd Legislative District Elementary and Middle Schools
- Shredding Events

- Community Clean-Up's
- Hosted Rebuild Together; linking residents to home improvement services
- Farmer's Market On the Avenue
- National Night Out
- Annual H.O.P.E. Housing Conference and Job Fair
- Northwest Economic Empowerment Business Summit
- Women's History Month Event Women's Entrepreneurship
- Annual Back to School Kutz for Kidz











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