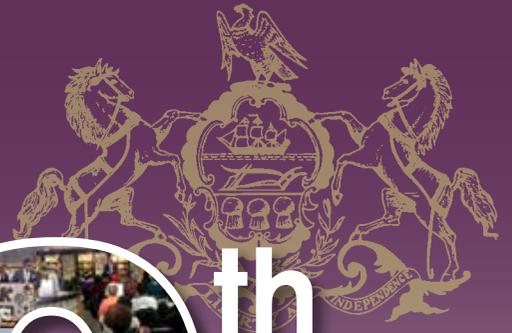


State Representative

Chris Rabb



200th Legislative District

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Dear Neighbor,

This correspondence is intended to give you an update on some of the work I have been doing in Philadelphia and Harrisburg and to ensure you know about the services my staff and I can help you with. If you have questions about anything you read here, please call my office at 215-242-7300 or email me at RepRabb@pahouse.net.

The first thing I want to address is the ongoing COVID-19 crisis.

We're more than nine months into the COVID-19 pandemic and things are still challenging for so many of us.

Back in the late spring and early summer, we were able to slow the spread of the virus, and we saw the infection rates start to flatten out. But a fall resurgence with frighteningly high daily case counts, hospitalizations and deaths means we need to fight this virus harder than ever.

As of Nov. 18, nearly 282,000 people statewide had been infected with the virus, and more than 9,400 people in Pennsylvania had died from the virus.

In response to the ongoing threats of COVID-19, the City of Philadelphia recently issued new restrictions for businesses and individuals aimed at reducing the spread of the virus. I urge you to be mindful of those restrictions. While it's easy to despair, there are a lot of things you can do to keep yourself and your loved ones safe. Wash your hands. Maintain social distancing. Wear a mask when you're near people who aren't in your household, whether you're in public or private places.

If you need to get a COVID-19 test, the following sites are in or near our district:



Rite Aid: 7401 Ogontz Ave.
Philadelphia, PA, 19138 • (215) 224-9997

AFC Urgent Care - Cheltenham:
2401 W. Cheltenham Ave.
Wyncote, PA, 19095 • (267) 436-0322

Black Doctors COVID Consortium:
<https://blackdoctorsconsortium.com>
(484) 270-6200

In addition to being diligent when it comes to COVID-19, keep your overall health in mind and look for other ways to stay healthy, like getting your flu shot, eating nutritious foods and getting regular exercise.

Times are tough. As we head into the holiday season, with the holidays this year likely looking different than they have in years past, I want you to know that you are not alone. If there is something you think I or my staff can help you with, please reach out to us. As difficult as the road ahead is, you don't have to navigate it by yourself.

In Service,






RESOURCES FOR THE 200TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

In October, I was honored to be named Legislator of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, Pennsylvania Chapter.

This recognition truly belongs to all of the people who work for me. When the NASW-PA considered me for this honor, they cited the outreach that my staff and I do to help constituents as being one of the core attributes that factored into their decision.

My staff and I are always happy to help you and the other

members of our community with navigating state services that are available to you.

Even in the middle of a global pandemic, my team and I remain dedicated to helping you, which is why we are providing curbside services and help over the phone with all state programs.

If you need help with any state service, please contact my office at 215-242-7300.

Some of the state programs that are currently available include:

LIHEAP: The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program helps eligible Pennsylvania residents cover their home heating bills. You can learn more and apply online at <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx> or contact my office. The 2020-2021 LIHEAP season is now open! It is scheduled to close on April 9, 2021.



Unemployment Compensation: So many people are out of work right now because of COVID-19. If you're unemployed and need help applying for Unemployment Compensation benefits, visit www.uc.pa.gov, or contact my office.



Property Tax/Rent Rebate: The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program provides property tax and rent relief to eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. Learn more at www.revenue.pa.gov/GeneralTaxInformation/PropertyTaxRentRebateProgram, or contact my office. The application deadline is December 31st.



Senior ID and SEPTA Key Reduced Fare Cards –

During this time, SEPTA staff are unable to meet you in-person for new Senior Key and Reduced Fare Cards. Additionally, no new card appointments are being scheduled, and the processing of new and replacement cards is temporarily suspended. If your card expired, it's automatically extended for an additional year. If you just turned 65, you may use your state-issued ID card to ride, free of charge.



CCT Eligibility and Operations: During this period, processing of new CCT applications will be impacted due to limited on-site staffing. CCT operations and scheduling are not affected. SEPTA staff continue to schedule trips and

provide ADA Paratransit and Senior Shared Ride services. CCT customers can continue to call CCT at 215-580-7720 or 215-580-7145 (menu #2) to schedule trips or with any customer service questions.

Community Resources: If you need food, clothing or housing, please contact our office. We are here to assist you. Here are just two of many resources:

Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger
123 Chestnut St. • Suite 401 • Philadelphia, PA 19106
Phone: 215-430-0555
<http://www.hungercoalition.org/>

Interfaith Hospitality Network
7047 Germantown Avenue •
Philadelphia, PA 19119
(215) 247 – 4663



RESOURCES FOR VETERANS

We have highlighted a few below, but there are many more resources for mental health, physical health, housing, education, financial support and more at www.healthymindsphilly.org/veteran-resources

Steven A Cohen Military Family Clinic at University of Pennsylvania: Located at 3535 Market St., this clinic provides high quality mental health care at no cost and with no long wait. They also offer telehealth. Call 844-573-3146.

Military OneSource: Provides non-crisis confidential services such as help with financial counseling, help with relationships and parenting, and more. Call 800-342-9647.

Military Assistance Project: Free legal services to active duty military personnel, reserves, veterans, and their widows/spouses. Located at 2005 Market St. Call 267-449-6067.

Veterans Multi-Service Center: Housing assistance, transitional residences, employment services, benefits and entitlement services, and transitional services for women. Headquarters: 213-217 N. 4th St. Phone: 215-923-2600. Women's Veteran's Center: 259 N. Lawrence St. Phone: 215-923-2600.

Join us in this fun word search!

You'll find streets in our district, legislation that I have proposed and/or passed and events that we have held.

When you've completed the entire puzzle, feel free to call our office. We'll add your name to our list and post it on Facebook and Instagram.

List of words to find:

FULL FAIR FUNDING
TAX CREDIT
POLICE HIRING ACCOUNTABILITY
NO CONSENT CUSTODY
PENNCORPS
LEGISLATION
STENTON
GERMANTOWN
FALL FESTIVAL
IDENTITY THEFT
SHREDDING
WADSWORTH
PLEASANT
MT AIRY
CHESTNUT HILL
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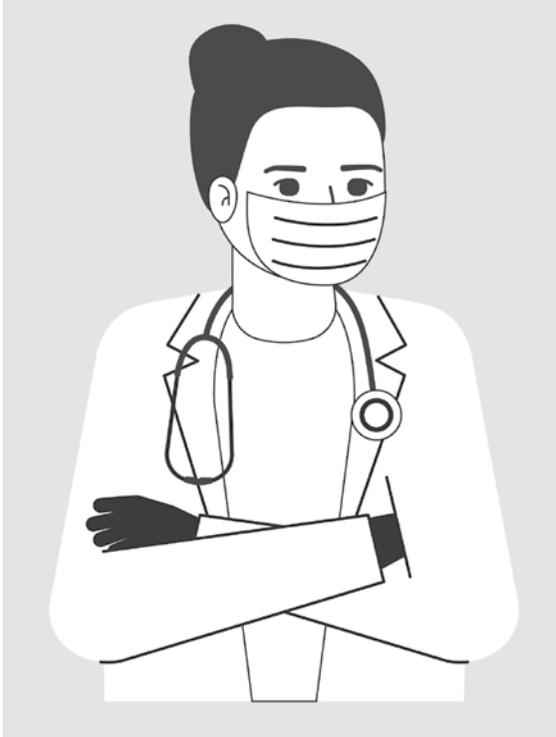
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Color Corner

Please email your completed work to RepRabb@pahouse.net. We'll add it to our Instagram page. Don't forget to add your child's name and age!

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Create and color your own hero!

2.



WORKING FOR YOU!

One of the most important aspects of my job is creating change through policy and legislation. While a lot of work remains to be done, I am proud of the work that I have accomplished on your behalf in Harrisburg.

I am the founder and chairman of the Equity Committee, which my Harrisburg colleagues agreed to establish in November 2018 to streamline, enhance and promote diversity, inclusion and equity.

I have introduced resolutions, which honor, acknowledge or declare something, and bills, which hopefully become law or improve law.

A condolence resolution honors the life of someone who has died. Please contact our office for more information if you are interested in requesting a condolence resolution for a loved one.

Here is a list of some of the legislation I have introduced, where HR stands for House Resolution and HB stands for House Bill:

RESOLUTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED

HR 727 – A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

HR 400 – A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Octavius Valentine Catto, a civil rights activist, educator, military officer and baseball player.

HR 729 – A resolution honoring the life of Philadelphia Native Dr. Noel Ignatiev, a nationally acclaimed professor of critical race theory.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

HR 982 – *Honoring the life of Ona Judge.* Ona Judge, a woman who dared to be free — even if it meant fleeing enslavement from George and Martha Washington, our nation's idyllic first couple.

Honoring the Pennsylvanians who died from COVID-19.

BILLS THAT HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED

HB 2949 – A bill to provide grants and tax credits to restaurants that sell PA Preferred groceries in food deserts.



HB 2898 – A bill to make pre-trial sentence investigation reports mandatory.

HB 2827 – A bill to allow college students to terminate apartment leases without penalty if their school cancels on-campus instruction because of COVID-19.

HB 270 – A bill to authorize Pennsylvania to join the Agreement Among the States to elect the president by National Popular Vote.

A bill to **compensate exonerees for wrongful convictions.**

A bill to **require police organizations that represent law enforcement officers to disclose key information before they are allowed to enter into collective bargaining negotiations.**

A bill to **amend the act of January 17, 1968, (P.L.11, No.5),** known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968 which increases the minimum wage over time; abolishes the sub-minimum wage; protects the gratuities of workers from wage theft; and expands the universe of beneficiaries to include gig workers, incarcerated workers and workers with severe intellectual disabilities.

BILLS THAT HAVE PASSED

HB 1807 – A bill to expand Pennsylvania's definition of institutional sexual assault to include law enforcement officers and any person in the officer's custody, and by doing so, eliminate sexual consent as a defense, making any sexual contact between an officer and a person in custody a third-degree felony.

Police accountability legislation – In July, Gov. Wolf signed legislation into law that contained language from my legislation, HB 1666, to require law enforcement agencies to keep detailed personnel



records that include all criminal, civil and ethics substantiated complaints, as well as the reason and circumstances surrounding the separation of each officer, and make those available to hiring departments.



Ask Rep. RABB
OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Please call me at 215 242-7300 and I will answer your questions about any state related issue that you are having.

You are at the core of the work that I do as your state representative. I am accountable to you. I am at your service and helping make your life better is truly my top priority.

Being available to answer your questions is my pleasure, and I want to invite you personally to reach out whenever you have an issue or question with which you think I can assist.

Please, stay connected and ensure you get updates from me

It's important to me to keep you updated about the work I'm doing on your behalf in Harrisburg, as well as about the issues that are important to you in Philadelphia. Please, make sure you're signed up to get email correspondence from me by visiting www.reprabb.com/emailsingup today!



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RETHINKING THE HOLIDAYS: A MESSAGE TO YOUNG PEOPLE

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This year, we have all already sacrificed so much to keep our community safe. Now, before the holiday season, Philadelphia is experiencing a rise in COVID cases and newly added restrictions. With the upcoming holidays, we at Rep. Rabb's office wanted to address the COVID concerns and gatherings, especially for our young people.

The first step in deciding holiday plans is to have a conversation with the people you plan to celebrate with. Having a conversation around COVID concerns and the possibility of changing traditions is difficult. For students, holidays are the only opportunity to see extended relatives and old friends. But you have the opportunity to facilitate a conversation on what your holidays will look like to keep yourself and others

safe. Every gathering will look different due to factors such as out-of-state travel, accessibility to outdoor spaces, at-risk friends and family, availability of COVID testing, and accessibility to the internet to host a virtual meeting. If you have concerns, raise them with friends and family. Although it is uncomfortable to bring up changing holiday plans, doing so may save lives.

Students who stay on campus for the holidays will likely want to celebrate with friends. If you want to host or attend a gathering with friends, we urge you to take every precaution. Many universities are offering free testing to students, so take advantage of it! Ensure that the people at your gathering have been following COVID guidelines and stay within a designated social bubble. If you plan to travel home for the holidays,

be sure to quarantine or get tested beforehand.

As members of the community, young people and college students have the unique ability to facilitate conversations around having safer holidays, while also having the tough conversations and taking precautions to keep themselves and others healthy.

