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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

When we get knocked down, we get right back up—and this summer, that indomitable spirit shines brighter than ever. Our community has faced challenges head-on, from economic shifts to global headwinds, and each time we emerge stronger and more determined. On May 2, Steelton took a hard blow when Cleveland-Cliffs announced it would idle the Steelton Rail and Conshohocken Rail Finishing facilities, putting over 500 steelworkers and their families out of work and threatening our area's economic heartbeat.

I'm working hand in hand with Steelton Mayor Ciera Dent, union leaders, and our state and federal delegation to urge Cleveland-Cliffs to restart operations and get the mill back up and running as quickly as possible. While we continue pressing Cleveland-Cliffs, the Pennsylvania House hasn't paused in delivering concrete legislative victories that enhance the lives of Pennsylvanians.

We approved a landmark increase to the minimum wage so hardworking Pennsylvanians would earn a wage they can live on. I'm also proud to have sponsored two bills that passed with overwhelming bipartisan support: H.B. 734, which aims to strengthen tenant protections by



requiring landlords to maintain safe, habitable housing and to provide clear support when families must relocate; and H.B. 749, which would revamp how SNAP benefits are distributed so no Pennsylvanian faces delays or gaps in food assistance.

Over the next several weeks, we'll have community-focused events including our upcoming Senior Fair, License Plate Restoration Event.

and, of course, Midfest. You'll find all the information on these exciting events in the following pages.

As always, if you need assistance, please reach out to my office. We are here to help and happy to do so in any way possible.

AROUND THE DISTRICT AND IN HARRISBURG



Proud to join leaders from the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus and the Young Professionals of Color as we reflect on the past and pledge a future of equal opportunity for all.

I joined bipartisan colleagues to celebrate our Solar for Schools program delivering \$22.5 million to 73 districts across Pennsylvania. Here in Steelton-Highspire, solar now powers 100 percent of school buildings—saving money that goes straight back into teachers, textbooks, and student programs.



Highspire's Memorial Day service honored those who made the ultimate sacrifice—paying tribute to their legacy and our community's unwavering patriotism.





At the swearing-in of new Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteers by Judge Morris—welcoming dedicated advocates who will serve as voices for foster children in our court system.



I was honored to host our Veterans Lunch in Harrisburg—sharing stories with local heroes, celebrating service, and strengthening our community bonds. Thank you all for joining me!



Riding alongside Sen. Patty Kim and Rep. Nate Davidson in downtown Harrisburg's Juneteenth parade, celebrating freedom, resilience, and our community's unified pursuit of a more inclusive future.

UPCOMING EVENTS







I was thrilled to join nearly 1,000 riders for the 25th annual Tour de Belt—a 20-mile ride beginning and ending at HACC—celebrating this milestone and our dedication to growing Harrisburg's Greenbelt. Here's to many more miles and memories!





What an incredible turnout at the Youth Violence Prevention Forum I hosted with state Representatives Nate Davidson and Justin Flemina! Thank you to every speaker, organizer, and attendee—your insights will guide the legislation I'll champion to keep Pennsylvania's kids safe and supported.



Celebrating a ribbon-cutting with Upward Broadband at Danny Fisher Park—bringing high-speed internet to rural communities thanks to state funding I championed in the PA House Appropriations Committee.



Joining the Ramadan Iftar dinner with the Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) Harrisburg and the Islamic Society of Greater Harrisburg—celebrating reflection, community, and generosity.



At the Standing up for Democracy rally on the steps of the Harrisburg Capitol—coming together to protect voting rights and uphold our democratic values.

Speaking at a press conference, I pushed for stronger laws to ban workplace bullying, harassment, and abuse—because no one in Pennsylvania should have to sacrifice their well-being or self-respect to earn a living.



I joined the 8th Annual Veterans Chili Cook-Off in Lawnton hosted by Legion Riders Chapter 998—huge thanks to everyone who showed up and our incredible local chefs! The 104th Legislative District's chili talent was on full display, and catching up with Tom Zimmerman from Veterans Outreach of Pennsylvania was the cherry on top.



I joined Broad Street Market leaders to celebrate a \$500,000 Fresh Food Financing grant from Governor Shapiro's administration—building on the \$350,000 DCED award state Sen. Patty Kim and I secured—to fund critical Stone Building upgrades and better serve our community.







STATE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program Deadline Application Extended until Dec. 31

Good news: the deadline for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program has been extended through December 31, 2025. For decades, this program has been a financial lifeline for Pennsylvania homeowners and renters. Thanks to our recent eligibility expansion, more than 522,000 rebates—totaling \$319 million—have already gone out across the state.

Since its launch in 1971, the PTRR Program has delivered over \$8.6 billion in relief, helping families keep pace with rising living costs. This extended deadline gives even more eligible residents the time they need to apply and secure assistance that can make a real difference in their budgets.

If you think you qualify or need help completing your application, please contact my office at 717-986-1673—my team is ready to guide you through every step.

Veterans: Need Help Finding Your DD-214 or Military Records?

The Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) is here to assist veterans who have lost their DD Form 214 or other military documents. This crucial paperwork verifies your military service and is necessary to access benefits, retirement, employment opportunities, and veterans' organizations.

If you need help locating your DD-214 or correcting it with a DD-215, DMVA's accredited veteran service officers are ready to support you. You can call toll free at 1-800-547-2838, or email RA-REQ@pa.gov.

Over 2,300 veterans have received help from DMVA in the past year—don't wait to get the documents you need!

For more information or to sign up for the DMVA Veterans Registry, visit www.register.dmva.pa.gov.

Claim Your Share of Pennsylvania's \$3.5 Billion in Unclaimed Property

Pennsylvania's Treasury is holding more than \$3.5 billion in unclaimed property—assets that range from dormant bank accounts to uncashed checks. One in 10 Pennsylvanians has money waiting to be claimed, and the average payout is about \$2,000.

My office is working to notify residents when they're due a refund, but you don't have to wait. You can search the Treasury's free online database at www.patreasury.gov/unclaimed-property any time to see if you—or friends and family—have funds ready to be returned.

PA CareKit Empowers 1.5 Million Unpaid Caregivers with Personalized Support Toolkit

The Commonwealth has launched PA CareKit, a new online toolkit for Pennsylvania's 1.5 million unpaid caregivers. Administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging, PA CareKit connects you with personalized guides, respite service referrals, and skill-building training—whether you're caring for a spouse, an adult child, a grandchild, or a friend—and lets you browse step-by-step caregiving guides tailored to your situation, find and filter respite services in your area, and access workshops and resources that strengthen your caregiving skills.

These resources can be accessed by visiting https://www.pa.gov/agencies/aging/pa-carekit. Always feel free to contact my office directly for help.



Ensuring Healthier Families with Pennsylvania's WIC Program

Since 1974, Pennsylvania's Women, Infants, and Children program—known as WIC—has served as a nutritional lifeline, offering eligible families comprehensive nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support, and connections to health care and vital social services. By guaranteeing access to healthy foods and expert guidance, WIC ensures Pennsylvania's youngest residents get the strong start they deserve.

If you or someone you know could benefit from WIC's services, simply call 1-800-WIC-WINS to speak with a program representative or visit the WIC website at www.pawic.com to find your local clinic and apply online. I remain committed to supporting programs that bolster family health and well-being across Dauphin County and beyond, so please share this information with neighbors, friends, or family members who may qualify.

FIGHTING TO KEEP THE STEEL IN STEELTON

This summer reminds me of the century-long legacy of Pennsylvania's steel mills as engines of our economy and the backbone of our middle class. Yet when Cleveland-Cliffs idled the Steelton facility on June 30—impacting over 500 of our friends, family members, and neighbors—it became clear this isn't just about machines and metal but about sustaining the very backbone of our community.

Every shift at that mill means a paycheck for a Steelton family, support for our local businesses, and a stronger future for all of us. I stood shoulder to shoulder with state Senator Patty Kim, state Representatives Nate Davidson and Justin Fleming, our Dauphin County delegation, and USW Local 1688 to send a clear, united message: Cleveland-Cliffs must come to the table and partner with us to Keep the Steel in Steelton.





At the same time, I joined state Senators Nick Pisciottano and Patty Kim and state Representatives John Inglis and Nate Davidson to introduce H.B. 1749 and S.B. 949—collectively known as FORGES (Fueling Opportunities for the Revitalization, Growth, and Efficiency of Steel)—to deliver targeted tax incentives for Pennsylvania-made steel and reward investments in modern, efficient, and sustainable technologies. My office is committed to exploring every possible avenue: we're pushing every lever we have, and we won't rest until we keep the mill running and protect good jobs right here at home.

BIG WIN FOR SAFE HOUSING

I'm excited to share that H.B. 734 passed the Pennsylvania House—bringing us one step closer to making safe, dignified housing a reality for every tenant in our Commonwealth.

This bipartisan measure holds landlords to clear standards: stairways, hallways and all common areas must be kept in safe, habitable condition, and if a home becomes unlivable through no fault of its residents, landlords are required to provide prompt, compassionate relocation support—whether temporary or permanent.

Developed alongside both housing advocates and property owners, H.B. 734 goes beyond repairs—it's a commitment to stability and respect for families facing displacement. Next up, the Senate. I look forward to securing final approval and delivering these protections to communities across Pennsylvania.



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Available at My Office

- Pennsylvania Driver's Manuals and Commercial Driver's Manuals.
- Assistance with the Department of Human Services.
- Obtaining Birth and Death Certificates.
- PennDOT Services: vehicle registrations, reduced vehicle registration, special tags, titles, driver's license applications and disability placards.
- Questions for the PA Department of Revenue.
- Liaison to state agencies.
- Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program problems or questions.
- Information on financial assistance for higher education.
- Voter registration and absentee ballot applications.

- Unemployment compensation, disability, and workers' compensation.
- Problems with the PA Department of Human Services (food stamps, medical and income assistance).
- Requests for literature of all kinds – bills, regulations, statutes, Pennsylvania maps, senior citizen information.
- Citations from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
- Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications.
- PACE/PACENET cards for senior citizens.
- Liquor Control Board concerns or questions.
- Information about federal, state, and local government agencies.
- · Unclaimed property search.

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