

Dear Neighbors,

I am proud to serve in the New York State Legislature with a historic number of brilliant women who inspire me every day with their profound ability to lead, legislate, and govern with their whole hearts and minds. This month, the <u>Legislative</u> <u>Womens' Caucus</u>, a bipartisan and bicameral caucus of women serving in both the Assembly and the Senate, put together a video celebrating Womens' History Month and the women who have worked so hard to build a more just society. I am excited to share the video with you so you can meet some of my amazing colleagues!

Click here to watch the LWC Video!



Legislative Update

Crypto Mining Moratorium Passed the EnCon Committee!

This week, <u>A7389C</u>, my bill that would also require a full GEIS of the impact of the cryptocurrency industry on our ability to reach our CLCPA and water and air protections passed the Assembly's Environmental Conservation Committee. This is a bill that is related to cryptocurrency mining which is also referred to as Proof-of-Work (PoW) cryptocurrency transaction validation. There are about 16 different validation methods for authenticating cryptocurrency transactions. This is the only method that is competitive in nature and that uses significant amounts of energy globally (more than Amazon, Google, and Facebook combined). This bill would not in any way limit the use, trading or selling of cryptocurrencies on the open market but solely the large-scale cryptocurrency mining industry that is proliferating in upstate NY.

The bill has been assigned to the Ways and Means Committee. We'll keep you posted as it keeps moving through the legislative process.

I want to thank local advocates from the district who traveled to Albany this week to rally in support of my bill!



New Laws

New Law: Storm Hardening and System Resiliency Plans

New law in effect now requires electric utility companies throughout the state to develop and implement dedicated climate resilience programs to mitigate the impact of climate change and reduce damage, restoration times, and costs from future weather events. This law will require utilities to implement a climate resilience plan to strengthen infrastructure and improve storm response.

For more info, visit: <u>https://bit.ly/UtilitySystemPlan</u>

Community Resources

Free File Your Income Tax

It's almost time to file your taxes! If your 2021 income was \$73,000 or less you can complete federal and NYS income tax returns online for free!

To file your taxes for free, click here.



Around the District

TST-BOCES Students Visit the Capitol

I was thrilled to welcome some brilliant TST BOCES students to the to the NYS Capitol today. It was great to learn about the inspiring work in their medical, veterinary, and engineering programs. It was my deep honor to recognize these future leaders on the floor of the Assembly!



Congratulations to the Newfield Central School District

I want to pass along my heartfelt congratulations to the Newfield Central School District's Varsity Boys Basketball Class C 2022 State Champions! Congrats on a great season. Go Trojans! <u>Read more</u> <u>here</u>.



Have a safe and restful weekend!

In good health,

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