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#### FROM THE DESK OF ANDREA BAILEY:



## A MESSAGE FROM ANDREA REFLECTING ON THE 2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

As my first legislative session comes to a close, I want to take a moment to thank you—my constituents—for the incredible support and engagement you've shown over the past several months.

This session was both challenging and energizing. From day one, I fought to make your voices heard in Albany—standing up for our communities, advocating for necessary change, and protecting the values that make our district and region so special. While we may not have won every battle, I'm proud of the work we accomplished and the conversations we've started.

Over the summer and fall, I'll be back in the district preparing for the year ahead. My office remains open and ready to assist you in any way possible—whether it's with state resources, policy concerns, or help navigating government services.

Thank you again for the honor of representing you. I'm just getting started, and I can't wait to keep working together.



Warmly,

Gedra K Bailey





# Albany Update



After multiple budget extenders and far too many missed opportunities, New York state finally passed a budget. While I'm relieved to say this, I am still deeply concerned about the misplaced priorities that dominated this process. Local communities, working families, and small businesses deserve better. This is the motivation I need to prepare appropriately for next year's session to be more successful.





# **Albany Update**



I joined colleagues in opposing Assembly bill A.6928—a deeply flawed proposal that would ban permits for expanding large farms, including those with 700 or more cows. This kind of one-size-fits-all policy would devastate rural communities and family farms across upstate.

The legislative session period has come to a close, but my commitment to serving my constituents remains as strong as ever. It was an intense few months filled with hard work, important debates, and meaningful progress on issues that matter most to our community. While there's still much to be done, I'm proud of what we accomplished and grateful for the opportunity to be your assemblywoman. I look forward to continuing this worklistening, advocating, and fighting for the future of our district every single day.





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# **District Update**



I was proud to join Senator Pam Helming, Monroe County Sheriff Todd Baxter, the Consortium for Safe Communities, and fellow local and state leaders in support of the PROTECT Act-important legislation that would give judges the ability to consider a defendant's risk to public safety when making pretrial decisions. This common-sense bill ensures that our justice system protects the public while also offering appropriate services and support to those who need them. Our communities deserve a balanced approach to safety, accountability, and justice-and this legislation is a meaningful step in that direction.



This Memorial Day, I was honored to take part in the Perry Memorial Day Ceremony, standing alongside so many in our community to remember and reflect on the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. A particularly meaningful moment for my family came in Caledonia, where my mother laid the wreath on behalf of the Ladies Auxiliary, a heartfelt tribute to our fallen heroes.





# **District** Update

I had the absolute pleasure of joining the Goodnight Moon Celebration at Act 4 Books in Perry alongside some of my favorite little readers! It was a joy to take part in this special event marking 78 years of Margaret Wise Brown's beloved classic and to see our community come together to celebrate the magic of storytelling.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by during my recent mobile office hours in Perry! It was great to connect, hear your thoughts, and have meaningful conversations about the issues that matter most to you. I always appreciate the opportunity to meet with constituents directly, and I look forward to more visits across the district in the coming weeks.





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I was proud to attend the ceremony for the Muller Field Station on Honeoye Lake! This exciting project will boost environmental research, education, and community access. The upgraded station will feature a 24-person accessible bunkhouse, better parking, and a bus turnaround—making it more welcoming for all. It was inspiring to join local leaders and advocates dedicated to conservation and hands-on learning that benefits students and researchers alike.



I celebrated the grand opening of York Common Grounds, a wonderful new small business in the heart of the 133rd Assembly District. Their mission is to bring people together through great food, local products, art, and education while supporting our community and celebrating local history. I'm grateful to see businesses like this thriving—it's a true sign of our community's creativity and pride. Definitely worth a visit!





## Join the Summer Reading Challenge!

Summer is the perfect time for young readers to dive into new stories, and Assemblywoman Andrea Bailey is excited to sponsor this year's Summer Reading Challenge in partnership with New York Libraries!

Kids who read at least 15 minutes a day for 40 days throughout July and August will earn an official New York State Assembly Excellence in Reading Certificate to celebrate their achievement.



How to Participate:

- Mark each day your child reads on the calendar in the official challenge brochure.
  - Once they've hit 40 days, fill out the enclosed form and return it to Assemblywoman Bailey's office.
    - Celebrate their success with a signed certificate from the Assembly!

Tip: Your local public library is a great place to kick off the challenge! Find one at <u>nysl.nysed.gov</u>.

If you have any questions or need a brochure, contact our office at 585-218-0038 or email baileya@nyassembly.gov.

Let's make this a summer full of imagination, curiosity, and books!







Bailey's Briefing



## Ask Andrea

#### Question:

What was the biggest takeaway from your first legislative session?

-Richard G.

#### Answer:

Completing my first session was an incredible learning experience. It showed me just how important it is to stay connected to the people I represent while working through the complexities of Albany's legislative process. There were many challenges but also meaningful opportunities to advocate for our community's needs. This session strengthened my commitment to fighting for the I33rd District—whether it's supporting local businesses, protecting our environment, or improving education. I'm grateful for the chance to serve and eager to keep pushing for positive change.

Have a question for Andrea? Email her at baileya@nyassembly.gov on this or any other state issue. Follow Andrea on social media! @AssemblywomanAndreaBailey



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