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“As your voice in Albany, it’s vital to know what issues matter most to our community. I’ll always fight for Amherst and stand up for what’s best for our families.”

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*A Strong Voice for  
Amherst Families*

**Take Assemblymember  
McMahon’s constituent survey  
to share your thoughts on the  
issues that matter most to you.**

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Dear Friend,

We've had our share of trying times here in Western New York, but our region remains resilient. This state legislative session, I'm going to keep fighting for legislation that protects and grows our communities, businesses, economy and environment.

To better represent our community and be your voice in Albany, I would like to hear directly from you! Please take the time to fill out my survey so that I can best represent Amherst families during the 2023 legislative session.

Sincerely,

*Karen M. McMahon*



## My office can help you:

- ✓ Obtain benefits, government forms and applications
- ✓ Connect with state agencies, local services and resources
- ✓ Replace lost medals or awards for veterans
- ✓ Answer questions about state government
- ✓ Get information on programs such as STAR, HEAP or EPIC

If you have any questions or concerns about community issues, please contact my office:

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## ASSEMBLYMEMBER KAREN MCMAHON'S CONSTITUENT SURVEY

Please take a moment to fill out this survey so I can ensure your voice is heard in Albany. This survey can also be completed online at [nyassembly.gov/McMahon](https://nyassembly.gov/McMahon).

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Public safety continues to be an issue of concern for many New Yorkers across the state. How serious a problem would you say crime is in our community? (Check one)
  - Very serious  Somewhat serious  Not very serious  Not sure
- Many argue that to improve public safety, we must first address the root causes of crime. In which areas would you like to see increased investment? (Check all that apply)
  - Mentorship opportunities  After-school programming
  - Youth employment  Recreational opportunities
  - Stable, affordable housing  Conflict resolution programs
  - Mental health, social/emotional supports
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- The New York Medical Aid in Dying Act (A.995) would allow a mentally competent, terminally ill patient to choose to self-administer medication to end their life with additional protective measures in place. Do you support passage of the Medical Aid in Dying Act into Law? (Check one)
  - Yes  No  Unsure
- Climate change, shifting to cleaner fuels/renewable energy, land conservation, recycling and composting are topics that many constituents have raised with me. Which of the following climate change-related policies do you support? (Check all that apply)
  - Investing in open space conservation
  - Expanding bottle deposits to include non-carbonated beverages
  - Requiring producers to recycle packaging
  - Incentives for installing electric vehicle charging stations in public locations
  - Incentives for shifting to lower carbon fuels, including electric vehicles
  - Incentives for replacing gas appliances and heating systems with electric appliances
  - Incentives for installing geothermal heating/cooling or electric heat pumps
  - Implement permit fees and emissions taxes to pay for environmental programs
- Would you be in favor of requiring all new residential and commercial construction to use all-electric heating and appliances, with an exception for gas-powered generators and other emergency equipment, starting in 2032? (Check one)
  - Yes  No  Unsure
- Every person in our community deserves access to a safe, decent, and affordable place to live. New York State faces a growing affordable housing shortage. What do you believe the Legislature should do to address this issue? (Check all that apply)
  - Legalize Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) (i.e., legalizing basement, attic, or garage apartments)
  - Increase affordable housing options (i.e., expanding voucher programs, creating more supportive housing, expanding eligibility for assistance)
  - Extend eviction moratorium & rental assistance programs
  - Provide tax breaks for homeowners with uncooperative tenants
- A "rent burden" or "mortgage burden" is defined as spending more than 30% of your monthly income on your rental or mortgage expenses. Are you or your household experiencing a "rent burden" or "mortgage burden?" (Check one)
  - Rent Burden  Mortgage Burden  Neither  Unsure  Prefer not to answer
- Good Cause Eviction (A.5573 of 2022) legislation would prevent a landlord from evicting a tenant without "good cause." Good cause includes things like nonpayment of rent, nuisance or property damage, using the premises for an illegal purpose or illegally preventing the landlord from accessing the property. This bill also allows tenants to contest a rent increase above 5% in court, which a landlord could justify by demonstrating increased taxes or major building improvements. Should New York pass this law? (Check one)
  - Yes  No  Unsure
- Is Covid still a concern in your household? (Check one)
  - Yes  No  Somewhat
- We've all witnessed the tragic impact of gun violence in our country and right here in our community. Should military-style assault weapons be banned in New York State? (Check one)
  - Yes  No  Unsure
- Studies show that trees lower peak temperatures in cities, absorb excess stormwater, and filter air pollution. However, New York State has steadily lost urban forest acreage. I have proposed a bill, the Urban Reforestation Act (A.1780), that aims to mitigate this loss by creating a direct funding stream for municipalities across the state to plant and sustain trees. Funding comes from fees applied to billboards visible from highways across New York State. Do you support this proposal? (Check one)
  - Yes  No

Are there other issues that concern you?

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