State Representative

A YEAR IN REVIEW

2023 was a busy year in Harrisburg and across the 87th District! Last year, my office hosted events in every municipality, assisted hundreds of constituents at our offices and provided information at dozens of community events.

I enjoyed touring many schools, local businesses and manufacturing facilities in the community where I met so many incredible people who work hard every day to make a living. My goal is to make Pennsylvania a better place for us all to call home.

In Harrisburg, I took part in budget hearings as a member of the House Appropriations Committee and had two of my initiatives signed into law in my first year in the Legislature.

One of those initiatives allows Pennsylvania parole agents to wear body cameras on duty. This will offer agents a degree of transparency while also bolstering community relations while they are carrying out their official duties; this measure was signed into law as part of Act 53 of 2023.

My second initiative designates the bridge carrying PA Route 34 over Mountain Creek in Mount Holly Springs Borough in memory of fallen firefighter and community servant, Jerome Guise. Jerome died tragically in the line of duty when a house collapsed during a two-alarm fire on March 9, 2020. He was a member of Citizen's Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 in Mount Holly Springs and is missed throughout our community today.

In 2024, I will continue to serve with transparency and accessibility for every person in the 87th District. It is an honor to serve you in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and I will continue to give it my all.

Here are some statistics about what we accomplished in 2023:



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Legislative **Priorities**

In 2024, I will continue to advocate for legislation that creates meaningful, positive change in the Commonwealth for generations to come.

Making Pennsylvania More Competitive

The General Assembly should do all it can to support small businesses and remove obstacles to opportunity.

Our job creators have asked for government to remove obstacles, so our local and state economies can thrive. We must invest in our workforce and equip workers with the skills, resources and tools to grow the economy and the wages of employees. I remain committed to reforming our tax structure and regulatory process to help small businesses and incentivize job creators to bring family sustaining jobs to Pennsylvania.

Helping Pennsylvanians Plant Roots

We are facing the unfortunate reality that people are moving out of Pennsylvania at higher rates than other states. To change that, we must highlight educational and workforce opportunities within Pennsylvania to help people plant roots.

To support homeownership, I sponsored legislation that would exempt first-time homebuyers from the realty transfer tax. I will continue to stand up for policies that make Pennsylvania a more welcoming place to live, work and raise a family.

Ensuring Pennsylvania's Fiscal Health

Government has a duty to be a responsible fiscal steward and enact budgets that ensure long-term financial health. I look forward to again working with my colleagues in the House to craft a responsible budget that prioritizes our long-term financial health while also budgeting tax dollars to be spent efficiently and bolstering our Rainy Day fund to protect Pennsylvania in economic turbulence.

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DEDICATION OF THE FIREFIGHTER JEROME GUISE MEMORIAL BRIDGE Citizens Fire Company No. 1, 100 Chestnut St.,

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 at 10 a.m.

Mount Holly Springs, PA 17065 Join members of the community for a ceremony dedicating the Route 34 Bridge over Mountain Creek in Mount Holly Springs Borough in memory of Jerome Guise. Jerome was a devoted community servant whose memory will live on through the dedication of this bridge and will also inspire gratitude for our first responders for generations to come.



MONDAY.

MARCH 11

9-10:30 a.m.

TOAST WITH THOMAS Silver Spring Diner, 6520 Carlisle Pike,

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 Constituents of the 87th District are invited to join me for Toast with Thomas, a breakfast event at local diners across the district. These events provide great opportunities for residents to get together to discuss legislative issues in state government. I hope to see you at this breakfast which is provided at no cost to constituents.



DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT Upper Allen Township district office, 2 Market Plaza Way,

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 Tax season is underway, making now a great time to safely dispose of paperwork containing private and personal information that could be used by fraudsters looking to obtain passwords, Social Security numbers and other SATURDAY, sensitive information. Come shred your unneeded documents at this free event. **APRIL 20** There will be a limit of four boxes and/or bags per household and the event 9 a.m. to noon is limited to residential customers only; no businesses, please. Paper clips

and binder clips must be removed prior to the event.

Connecting seniors with state resources at South Middleton's Senior Expo.

• PROJECT •)

Meeting with Project SHARE in Carlisle

Hosting a human trafficking community workshop at Messiah University.

