



Dear Neighbor,

The 136th General Assembly is well underway in Columbus! Last month, we received our committee assignments, allowing us to work on improving our state and communities. Work has already begun on various bills that will be debated and voted on in committee as well as on the floor of the House.

House Democrats put people first despite the distraction of culture wars like limiting individual freedoms, attacks on our LGBTQ+ neighbors, restricting higher education institutions, and banning DEI. We remain committed to working together to improve the lives of all Ohioans by fighting for affordable healthcare, increased wages, and lowered property taxes.

February is Black History Month! Black history is American history and Black voices, experiences, and people have shaped our state and country. Democrats in Ohio are fighting hard every day, building a state that supports and uplifts Black Ohioans. House Democrats are committed to creating a more perfect union that provides freedom, liberty, and equality to us all. Building a state that supports and welcomes everyone has been a long and difficult process, but I am committed to creating lasting and impactful change.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

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## **District Spotlight**



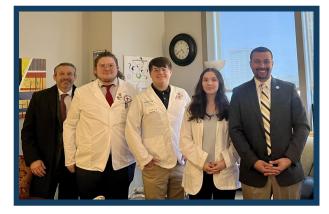
In February, Rep. Sedrick Denson attended the Cincinnati Herald's Cincy Power Awards, celebrating the excellence and achievements of Black-owned businesses in Greater Cincinnati. The event highlighted the impactful contributions these businesses continue make in Cincinnati.

To learn more about the winners and their inspiring stories, please visit [Cincy Power Awards](<u>https://</u> <u>thecincinnatiherald.com/cincy-power-awards/</u>).



## February's Statehouse Visits







Rep. Denson welcomed several organizations to the Statehouse this February, including the State of Ohio Collective, the Ohio Pharmacist Association, and the Ohio Mortgage Bankers Association.

Meeting with various groups from all across Ohio is important to Rep. Denson because they highlight the importance of advocacy in shaping policies that benefit our communities. Rep. Denson appreciates the opportunity to engage with passionate individuals and looks forward to amplifying the voices of Ohioans.



Happy Black History Month! Ohio House Democrats are in Columbus fighting for equality and justice. It is our mission to ensure that Ohioans of all races, ethnicities, sexualities, gender expressions, religions, classes, and backgrounds are treated with respect and given the tools needed to succeed.

This month Rep. Denson participated in a press conference with the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus (OLBC) and House Democrats to celebrate Black History Month and honor the significant contributions of Black Ohioans.



"During this month, and in all our actions moving forward, we must prioritize listening to Black voices and uplifting their experiences. Together, we can foster a more inclusive Ohio for everyone," stated Rep. Denson.

At the event, House Democrats outlined their People First Agenda, focusing on legislative priorities aimed at addressing systemic inequalities and supporting Black communities across the state. The commitment remains strong to create a state that works for all Ohioans, regardless of race, gender, income, or zip code.