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June at The Ohio Statehouse!

Dear Neighbor,

Happy June! On June 19th, we observe Juneteenth, a day to celebrate African American freedom and achievements, while looking at our own self development as Americans and our respect for the freedom and liberty of all cultures. Democrats continue to prioritize building up Black families and all Ohioans with legislation centered on health, housing, education, jobs, criminal justice reform, and supporting minority owned businesses. June is also Pride Month! No one should live in fear of being bullied, fired, or otherwise discriminated against simply because of who they are or who they love; and while the road to equality is fraught with challenges, we take this time to celebrate our differences and take joy in knowing that love conquers all.

Over in the Statehouse during the last week of May, Governor DeWine called for a special session to ensure that President Biden would be on the November ballot. Instead of a clean bill, Republicans used their gerrymandered supermajority to attack some of Ohioans most sacred fundamental freedoms. HB 1 is a preemptive strike against this year's citizen-led ballot initiative to reform the redistricting process in Ohio. GOP politicians know that the Citizens, Not Politicians reform, which is on-track to come before voters in November, will begin dismantling their unconstitutional grip on power. With the Legislature unwilling to represent the best interests of its constituents, it is critical for Ohio's voters to champion these changes to the redistricting process. The deadline to register in time to vote in the next election is October 7, 2024 and you can do so at olvr.ohiosos.gov.

In the district, please join **Congresswoman Emilia Sykes and I this Thursday at the Stow-Munroe Falls Library from 6:30 to 7:30 PM where we will be hosting a joint community conversation.** Topics will include both state and federal budgets, supporting seniors and lowering costs, general legislative updates and any other topics of importance to you. I am looking forward to seeing you there!

As always, it's an honor to represent you at the Statehouse! Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office for any reason. We are here to serve you however we can. We encourage you to continue to share with us your thoughts, concerns, and any ideas you may have.

Sincerely,

State Representative
Ohio House District 34



Legislative Update: Madeline's Law, Amended into the Strong Foundations Act (HB 7) Passes the House



HB 7, also known as the Strong Foundations Act was originally written to expand access to prenatal, postnatal, infant, and toddler services and supports. The bill was recently amended in the Ohio House Finance Committee to include my bill, Madeline's Law. I am happy to share that the amended version passed the House 72-19 last week.

As a reminder, Madeline's Law (HB 152) passed the House 85-5 last year but despite its bipartisan support, it has not received any hearings in the Senate Insurance Committee where it was assigned for further consideration. My bill would require health insurers to cover up to \$2.5K per individual for hearing aids every 48 months and other related services such as fittings and hearing exams for enrolled Ohioans under the age of 22.

The Strong Foundations Act at its core is about bringing relief and support to families in Ohio, adding Madeline's Law to this existing bill was a commonsense and much appreciated decision, one which I am confident that if enacted, will only further our goal of ensuring every child is equipped with the resources they need to secure a bright future. As the bill now heads to the Senate, I will continue to keep you updated on its advancement.

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COMMUNITY CONVERSATION
HOSTED BY U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN EMILIA SYKES

WITH SPECIAL GUEST:
STATE REPRESENTATIVE CASEY WEINSTEIN

Join Congresswoman Sykes and special guest Rep. Weinstein for a discussion about **supporting seniors, lowering costs, and an update on the state and federal budgets.**

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