

A legislative update from

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From the Desk of Representative Hall

Dear Neighbor,

Welcome to the second and final year of the 136th General Assembly! I want to welcome all of our new constituents to our monthly newsletter! Each month, you will learn about the different holidays my office honors, what is happening at the Statehouse, and events happening in House District 34. If there is a particular topic you would like to learn about, we are always open to suggestions!

This month, my office honored Domestic Violence Awareness month, Hispanic Heritage month, National Voter Education week, Election Hero day, and Halloween! Election Day is coming up. On (or before) November 3rd, be sure to make your voice heard at the polls! If you need help accessing voter resources, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Please also note that the open enrollment period for the Affordable Care Act begins on November 1st, and runs through January 15th. Visit healthcare.gov to get started.

In this month's newsletter, you will learn more about what I've been doing in the district and read updates from the Statehouse. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out! I would be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Derrick Hall

Here are some ways my office can assist you:

- Disputes with state government agencies
- Ohio House commendations, condolences, and congratulatory letters
- Proposing bill ideas and law changes
- Connecting you or your business to state programs or services

Helpful Contacts:

- Summit County Veterans Service Office: (330) 643-2830
- BMV: (844) 644-6268
- Summit County Board of Elections: (330) 643-5200
- Summit County Job & Family Services: (844) 640-6446
- Community Legal Aid: (330) 535-4191
- Ohio Consumers' Counsel: (614) 466-8574
- Unemployment Compensation Hotline: (877) 644-6562
- ACA Enrollment: 1-800-318-2596
- Hope and Healing Survivor Resource Center Hotline: (330) 374 - 1111

Representative Hall in the Community!

Western Reserve Land Conservancy Tour

This month, I toured three nature conservation projects in Stow and Hudson. My office was able to assist the Natural Areas Land Conservancy in permanently protecting critical habitats by providing a letter of support, as we do for many local organizations. The environmental health of our community is crucial, and projects like these safeguard important ecosystems, improve water quality, and support flood mitigation efforts.





Hudson Community Living Gala

Early this month, I joined Senator Casey Weinstein, Hudson Councilwoman Amanda Weinstein, and other local officials and friends at the Hudson Community Living Gala. Hudson Community Living is a local nonprofit that supports adults with developmental disabilities. The organization is dedicated to helping residents form meaningful connections within their community. Supporting local nonprofits like this one is a critical step in bringing our community together and making sure no one is left behind.

Yanke Bionics Clinic Tour

This month, I took a tour of the Yanke Bionics Clinic in Akron. I was able to meet constituents who rely on prosthetic and orthotic care, see how custom prosthetic and orthotic devices are designed, and learn why specialized devices can be necessary for a person's health and independence. In the House Insurance Committee, House Bill 564, the So Every Body Can Move Act, aims to help individuals get the coverage they need for certain prosthetic and orthotic devices. Tours like this give legislators a better understanding of bills we encounter at the Statehouse.





An Update from the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission

This month, the Ohio Facilities Construction Committee (OFCC) launched both a new website and video resource guide to make information about Ohio's K-12 schools more accessible and transparent. As a non-voting member of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission, I am proud to share that the website features a partnership with our very own Tallmadge Middle School! The school's unique, student-focused setup is highlighted in a video that you can watch by visiting osdm.ofcc.ohio.gov and clicking "Voices from the Community."
Or, you can scan the QR code here. →

The new website also features accessible explanations of the OFCC's main funding programs: the Classroom Facilities Assistance Program (CFAP), Vocational Facilities Assistance Program (VFAP), and Expedited Local Partnership Program (ELPP).







A Recap of the House's Spontaneous Session

On September 30th, the Ohio House passed **HB 519**, which implemented a 90-day gas tax holiday for Ohioans, beginning on October 4th. I voted **YES** on this bill, because Ohio families need and deserve immediate relief at the gas pumps. As someone who grew up in a family that was unable to afford a full tank of gas at times, I won't use my authority as an elected official to vote against lower costs for my constituents. However, I believe this level of relief is not nearly enough; the high cost of living will continue to affect Ohioans' lives as it has been for years. I am frustrated by the politicization of this very real crisis, and I believe we need to be more responsible in the future, with our authority, our taxpayers' money, and our constituents' livelihoods.

