

Hello friends & neighbors,

I can't believe October has flown by already! For the past two weeks I've been in Springfield participating in Veto Session. During this time, the Senate will vote on new congressional district maps and vote on a number of other bills. I'm always honored to represent my district and constituents!



Workforce Fair

Keep your schedule clear! Our office will be hosting a Workforce Fair on November 6th from 2:00pm to 5:00pm. The event will have over twenty trade-based employers. No previous education or training is needed to attend. The Workforce Fair will be held at West Chicago High School.



Legislative Updates

Last week, the Illinois Senate passed the Licensed Certified Professional Midwife Practice Act. This landmark legislation will ensure that all aspiring midwives are fully qualified, educated, and trained in order to assist pregnant mothers in Illinois. This bill now moves on to the house. For more information, on HB 3401 click here.

Resume Building Workshop

From November 1st to the 3rd, our office is offering appointments for people to come into our office for help in building their resumes (at any and all capacities: editing, creating, formatting, etc). To schedule your appointment, click here.

Reverence for Diversity in Illinois

The IL Muslim Civic Coalition and Senator Laura Ellman have introduced this Amendment. The Amendment states that all elected officials in Illinois taking the oath of office will now also recite the phrase: "I swear to protect and honor the diversity of the people of this great state". Keep an eye out for subject matter hearings on this amendment. Click here for more information.

What's Next?

Our office partners with State Representative Maura Hirschauer and co-runs four advisory committees: Environmental and Agriculture, Mental Health, Seniors, and Education. These committees are a limited public forum led by volunteer chairs and seek to create compassionate conversation among the voices of the 25th/49th districts in order to help build our legislative agenda and grow our knowledge in these areas.

Today from 7:00pm-8:00pm, our office will be co-hosting our Environment and Agriculture Advisory Committee. Email environment.49th@gmail.com to join.

My staff and I look forward to hearing from you. I encourage you to reach out to us at 630-326-9319 (English), 630-326-9419 (Spanish) or constituentservices@senatorvilla.com.

Stay cool!

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