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Dear Neighbor,

As we soon bid farewell to summer and usher in fall, I want to remind you that I am still **AT WORK** for you!

An important reminder that the midterm elections, where you will decide who will represent you in the United States Congress and Senate, at the Statehouse and in your local municipality, as well as where you will decide on a litany of local issues, will be held on Tuesday, November 3.

I encourage you to exercise your right to vote this fall. If you are not registered, you have until Monday, October 5 to do so if you want to cast a ballot during the upcoming midterms. You can register to vote through the Secretary of State's website at olvr.ohiosos.gov.

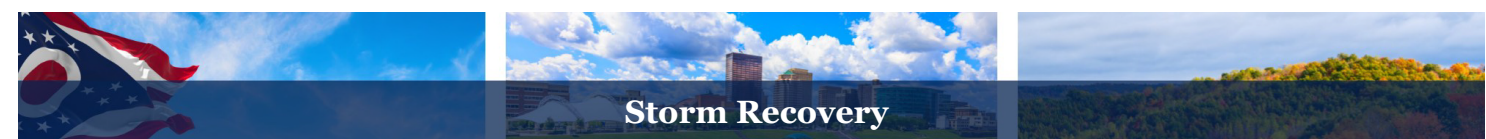
If you are registered to vote, I encourage you to check that your voter registration is current. You can check or update your registration, also through the Secretary of State's website at voterlookup.ohiosos.gov/voterlookup.aspx.

As always, I am here to be a resource for you. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Meredith R. Lawson-Rowe
State Representative
Ohio House District 5





Storm Recovery

The month of August was anything but smooth sailing weatherwise for residents of House District 5. The entire Central Ohio region was riddled by storms, tornadoes and damaged trees and many residents struggled with long-term power outages and devastating flood and property damage.

I was honored to join the Franklin County Emergency Management division as they assessed the frontlines of the damage inflicted in parts of House District 5. It is important your damages are documented and submitted to local AND state officials. This is also helpful for documentation for grant opportunities at every level of government.

If you are still in need of recovery assistance, contact your local municipality and the Franklin County Emergency Management division at (614) 794-0213.

Remember, we are in this together, and we will recover from these recent disasters TOGETHER!



Issue 3

This November, you will be asked to vote “yes” or “no” on Issue 3, an amendment which seeks to add to our state constitution requirements that voters present physical photo identification before they are permitted to vote in Ohio.



I encourage you to research this amendment and make your own informed decision this fall. However, I will be proudly voting “NO” on Issue 3.

Let me state clearly that I believe individuals should have to present valid identification in order to vote. However, Issue 3 is annoyingly redundant. Our state already has enshrined into law some of the strictest voter IDs requirements in the country. The amendment doesn’t seek to make any changes than what is already in state law.

The only reason this amendment is being proposed is so that there will be a greater chance that these strict voter ID laws will remain on our books. The amendment gives no considerations to our changing society, evolutions that may take place over (such as the shift from physical to digital identifications, which is sure to come), nor make any provisions for individuals who may struggle to procure an ID due to costs, etc., but otherwise would be able to vote in Ohio.

Issue 3 is unneeded, unnecessary, and I will be casting my “NO” vote on it in November!

“Mitchell” and “Dixon” Memorial Highways



Soon, you will be seeing new roads signs alongside I-70 and I-270 in House District 5 commemorating two hometown heroes.

The “CPL Lindsey William Mitchell Memorial Highway” will run eastbound on I-70 in Reynoldsburg between Brice Road and SR-256. Cpl. Mitchell was a Reynoldsburg native and Army corporal who was killed in Korea in 1951 at just 24 years old.

The “PFC Chris Dixon Memorial Highway” will run both eastbound and westbound on I-270 in Obetz. PFC Dixon was a native of Obetz who joined the Marine Corps shortly after graduating high school. While on deployment with the Lima Company in Iraq, Dixon was killed in 2005 at just 18 years old.

I was proud to sponsor the legislation which made these designations possible and which Governor DeWine recently signed into law.





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State of Ohio Agencies

Workers'
Compensation
(800) 644-6292

Medicaid
(800) 324-8680

Unemployment
(614) 466-6282

Environmental
Protection Agency
(614) 644-3020

Taxation
1 (800) 282-1780

Transportation
(614) 466-7170

Rehabilitation and
Correction
(614) 387-0588

Commerce
(614) 466-3636

Education/Workforce
(877) 644-6338

Veterans Services
(614) 644-0898

Civil Rights
(888) 278-7101

Franklin County Agencies:

Legal Aid
(614) 221-7201

Jobs and Family
Services
1 (844) 640-6446

Aging
(614) 525-5230

Developmental
Disabilities
(614) 475-6440

Animal Care & Control
(614) 525-3400

Board of Elections
(614) 525-3100

Mental Health
and Addiction
(614) 224-1057