

Dear Neighbor,

I would like to extend my thanks to the voters of New Haven's 95th House District for giving me the opportunity to continue to serve you in the State Assembly. It is a privilege and honor to do so, and I renew my commitment to represent your interests in Hartford to the best of my abilities.

I am pleased that I will be serving on the Appropriations Committee, the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee, Vice Chair, and the Regulations Review Committee.

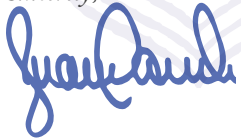
This promises to be a most challenging year for all of us. The worldwide economic crisis is having a dramatic impact on our state, on our cities and towns, and on each of us.

Our job is to work cooperatively, imaginatively and purposefully to improve the lives of all of our citizens. This means making difficult decisions to balance the budget, but also maintaining critical investments in our economy and our future – investments in jobs, public health, energy efficiency, the environment and funding our municipalities.

To be effective, I need to hear from you. Let me know your thoughts on issues, your concerns, and your ideas for the best solutions to our challenges. Please call me at 800.842.8267 or email me at Juan.Candelaria@cga.ct.gov so that together we can build a better New Haven, and a better State of Connecticut for all of us.

I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Juan Candelaria
State Representative 95th District



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Workforce Development

- Connecticut has been a national leader in new technologies and ‘green’ initiatives. We need to put Connecticut people to work in these important industries. Doing so will benefit Connecticut residents as well as our economy. With federal investment in infrastructure projects coming, we need to ensure that our workforce is available and ready to commence shovel-ready projects and put us on the right economic track.

Mass Transit and Transportation Infrastructure

- We look forward to the promise of significant federal funds for infrastructure projects from President Obama and Congress. We must use these and state dollars wisely to improve roads and bridges and to invest in mass transit. For too long our residents have had too few options for getting around our state. Improving existing infrastructure and expanding options for commuting will make Connecticut more competitive.

Health Care

- Expanding the state’s health care plan will allow everyone in the state access to quality, affordable health care coverage and save money for taxpayers and municipalities by bulk purchasing health insurance and prescription drugs. By improving and expanding state health care programs, like HUSKY, we can cover more of Connecticut’s uninsured.

Education

- Our schools need the necessary tools to produce a skilled workforce. We need to develop smart and innovative ideas to maintain funding to our school districts and special education while we reduce costs. We need to further examine magnet schools, vocational agriculture and technical schools. Investing in our students today will create a skilled job and college-ready workforce that will brighten the state’s economic future.

Affordable Housing

- Connecticut’s competitiveness is tied directly to our ability to provide affordable housing and attract and retain the talented people we need. I will support programs that create financial incentives for municipalities to build affordable housing while respecting open space, low-income rental assistance and improving state housing financing.



Representative Candelaria in session at the State Capitol.

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