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MATTHEW LESSER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for your support. It is my honor to serve another term as your state representative. There have been many intensely debated issues this year and it has been a privilege to represent the people of Middletown in each of those discussions.

I hope you find this information to be of use and please do not hesitate to call my office if you have any questions. My staff and I are eager to do what we can to help you get the information you need.

Sincerely,



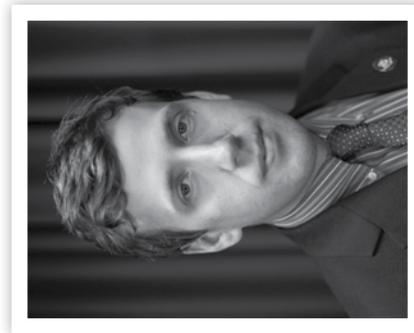
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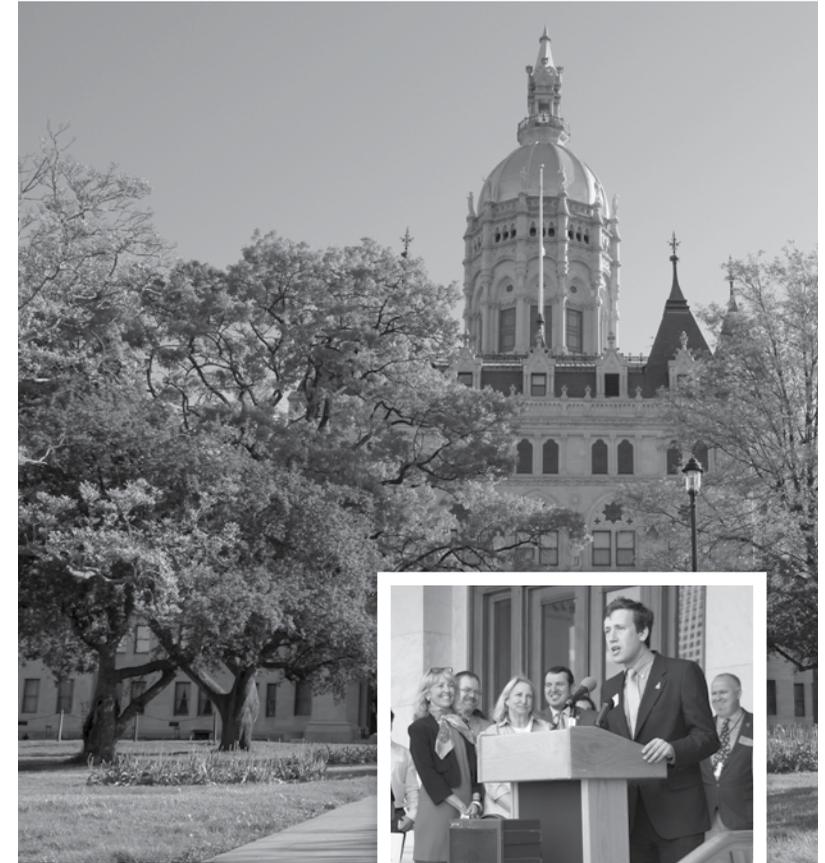
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SUPPORTING SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS

I toured the Woodrow Wilson School-Based Health Center with student ambassador Onix Rivera and talked with him about the important services our school-based health centers (SBHCs) provide. Connecticut's SBHCs are primary health care facilities located within a school and serve students from pre-school to Grade 12. School nurses and SBHCs work together, and school nurses often refer students to SBHCs because they are able to treat and resolve student health problems. All SBHC services are confidential.

In order for a child to utilize these services, a signed Parent Permission Form must be on file. Visit www.ctschoolhealth.org to download and print the form.



Rep. Lesser with student ambassador Onix Rivera at the Woodrow Wilson School-Based Health Center

ADVOCATING FOR YOUTH

Middletown High School students came to the State Capitol Building to advocate on behalf of our Youth Services Bureau. This important organization coordinates many services to divert young people from the criminal justice system and provide opportunities to get more involved in their communities. The Middletown Youth Services Bureau office is located at 372 Hunting Hill Avenue and is open Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. You can call the office at 860-854-6030.



Middletown High School students visited Rep. Lesser at the State Capitol Building

HELPING OUR VETERANS

I was happy to attend a benefits check-up day for area veterans at Middletown's American Legion Hall. The event was designed to help connect veterans to services, as some veterans may be unaware of the benefits and services available to them. If you or a veteran you know needs help understanding their benefits, you can call a Benefits Expert with the Connecticut Department of Veterans' Affairs at 1-866-928-8387 or visit www.ct.gov/ctva.

CELEBRATING OUR DIFFERENCES

I was glad to honor Middletown High School student Jackie Pawlak with an award for her Autism Awareness Day project. Jackie created her own autism awareness campaign which focused on celebrating the individual talents and diversity of all people. Jackie is a role model not just for her fellow Middletown High School students but for all of us. Her project showed that our community has a diverse array of skills and talents and that there is tremendous value in that diversity. After receiving her award for her impactful project, Jackie was asked to be a guest chaplain for the state House of Representatives for the day.



Middletown High School student Jackie Pawlak serves as guest chaplain in the House Chamber



Rep. Lesser enjoyed helping out at Middletown's veterans benefits check-up day