



State Rep. Peter Tercyak leads the House in a moment of silence in memory of victims of the Polish airplane crash which killed the Polish President and dozens of other dignitaries.



## A BALANCED BUDGET *for* CONNECTICUT

– *On Time and On Target*

By working hard and reaching across party lines to create a compromise, we were able to balance this year's state budget with:

- » No tax increases
- » No cuts in municipal aid or education funding (ECS)
- » Maintained funding for hospitals, schools, libraries, and courthouses
- » Funding for dental care and prescriptions for seniors and the disabled
- » Lower co-pays for home care services by 100/month on average (AARP endorsed)
- » A \$500 individual property tax credit to help offset local property taxes
- » Guaranteeing an average 60% reduction to a fee on your electric bill

*We erased a \$10 billion deficit, balancing the budget on time and on target.*

### New Britain Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Aid

PILOT: State Owned Property	\$3,162,122
PILOT: Colleges & Hospitals	\$2,555,494
Town Aid Roads	\$382,169
Local Capital Improvement Program	\$880,681
Pequot/Mohegan Aid	\$2,266,503
Adult Education	\$810,135
School Transportation	\$2,744,372
Educational Cost Sharing	\$73,929,296
<b>Total State Funds to New Britain</b>	<b>\$86,730,772</b>

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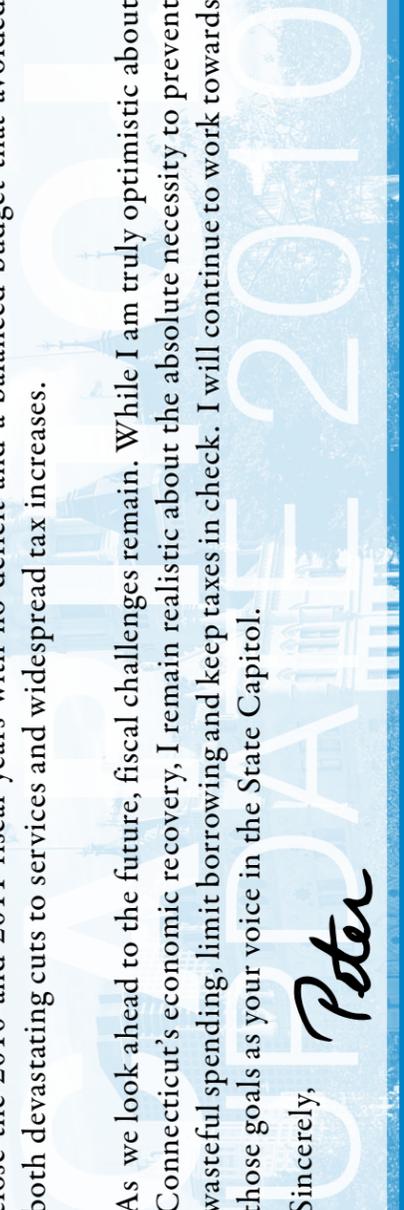
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### Capitol Update

The 2010 legislative session has been one of both challenge and compromise as we worked to address the state budget deficiency. In the end, we saw real results as the legislature and the governor worked together to craft a sound, responsible and fair state budget. I am proud that we were able to work together, across party lines, to create a compromise and close the 2010 and 2011 fiscal years with no deficit and a balanced budget that avoided both devastating cuts to services and widespread tax increases.

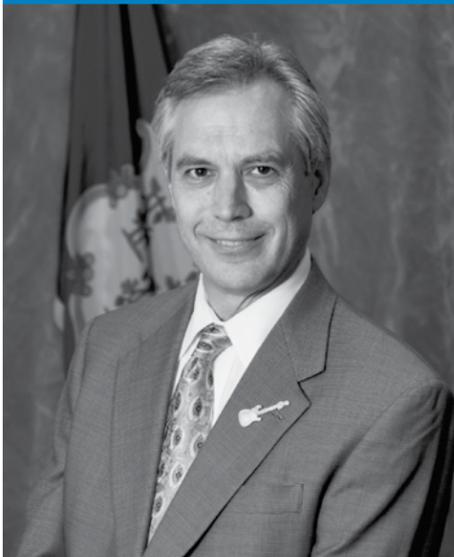
As we look ahead to the future, fiscal challenges remain. While I am truly optimistic about Connecticut's economic recovery, I remain realistic about the absolute necessity to prevent wasteful spending, limit borrowing and keep taxes in check. I will continue to work towards those goals as your voice in the State Capitol.

Sincerely,



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## Environment

### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

We all recognize the importance of recycling to protect our environment. Connecticut residents will now be able to recycle more through changes made to state law that:

- » Allows for more types of paper and plastic to be recycled
- » Requires private trash collectors to offer recycling
- » Requires recycling bins in public areas where regular trash bins are located

## Saluting Our Veterans

- » Veterans in nursing homes can now use the VA as their pharmacy, saving money for veterans and taxpayers
- » Honorably discharged retired veterans with 30 years or more of service can now apply for "retirement promotions" and move up one grade in rank
- » Active duty service members out of state will get an extension for 30 days to renew their expired driver's licenses after their return to Connecticut
- » March 30th is now designated as the official Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Commemoration Day
- » Veterans can now use their military service experience and training as academic credit for certain technical certificates and licenses

## Protecting Families

### Responding to domestic violence in our communities

The legislature made the most sweeping reforms to our domestic violence laws in the past 25 years, empowering educators, service providers, law enforcement officers and survivors with new tools that make:

- » Improvements to educator training and the enforcement of protective orders
- » Employment and housing protections
- » GPS monitoring for high risk offenders
- » Additional domestic violence court dockets
- » Increased staffing at 24 hour emergency shelters



Polish Day at the Capitol: Rep. Peter Tercyak presents a legislative citation to Henryk Stefan Kawecki, the Polish Army Veterans of America General Haller Post 111 Commander. (From left to right: Congressman Murphy, Henryk Stefan Kawecki, Secretary of the State Bysiewicz and State Rep. Peter Tercyak).

## Health Care

### Moving Forward on Health Reform

The recent passage of the historic federal health care reform law will lead to welcome improvements in the quality, access and affordability of health care for Connecticut residents. This session, the legislature built on those improvements, taking steps to lower costs and enhance transparency and accountability in our health care system.

*The new legislation:*

- » Saves money for towns by allowing them to join the state in bulk purchasing of prescription drugs
- » Requires insurance companies to disclose denial rates so consumers can compare the quality of different plans
- » Extends state COBRA coverage from 18 to 30 months so laid off employees can keep their health insurance as they look for new jobs
- » Improves coverage for chemotherapy patients
- » Enhances patient safety by improving hospital reporting of medical errors



New Britain Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year recipient Pamela Griffin and Jason Gibson, Program Director speak with Rep. Tercyak.

## Towns Save by Working Together

### Saving on School Busing

Every town in Connecticut can now save money on their school transportation costs.

- » A new grant is available for boards of education from multiple towns that work together to provide transportation services
- » This will be new money coming to New Britain school system

## Saving on Health Insurance

Cities and towns can now save money on health insurance costs.

- » Two or more towns or boards of education can join together to purchase health care benefits at lower costs
- » A larger group size can achieve lower premiums, better benefits for employees and more bargaining power for towns

## CT Breast Health Initiative

I would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Race in the Park event held on May 8th at Walnut Hill Park in New Britain. I am a great supporter of this important undertaking which raises funds to fight breast cancer through education and research.

## Taxpayers Off the Hook for Evicted Property

- » Local taxpayers have been relieved of the cost of storing the belongings of evicted tenants
- » Tenant's rights will be protected because state marshals will be responsible for removal, delivery and storage of belongings



State Rep. Peter Tercyak and Rep. Tim O'Brien with students from the Scholastic Academy of the New Britain Public Schools visiting the State Capitol, April 14, 2010.

## Creating Jobs

### Number One Priority – Dig Out of the Recession

Working with the governor, we passed a significant new jobs bill that will help put Connecticut on the road to economic recovery with:

- » Up to \$500,000 in loans and lines of credit for small businesses and nonprofits
- » Student loan reimbursement for careers in new and emerging fields
- » Income tax credits for investments in new technology businesses
- » Sales tax exemptions for machinery, supplies and fuel in renewable energy industries
- » Tax credits for small businesses of up to \$200 per month, per new employee
- » Up to \$150,000 in pre-seed financing and technical services to businesses developing innovative concepts
- » Better environmental rules to speed up business permitting process

## Protecting Education Funding

- » We were successful in maintaining state funding for New Britain Public Schools at the same level as last year.



Rep. Timothy O'Brien and Rep. Peter Tercyak at Falcon Field in New Britain during the annual Dozynki Festival

State Representative

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