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I WANT TO VISIT YOUR BUSINESS! I encourage you to call or <u>email me to set up</u> a visit!

Dear Neighbor,

I am excited to share some news about the work I am doing to benefit local small businesses. I spend a lot of time talking to business owners in our community and their feedback has led to both new legislation and projects.

When small businesses thrive, our economy grows. Thanks to small businesses, our unemployment rate is at an 8-year low and, according to *Bloomberg*, we are the 5th most innovative state in the country.

I am proud of the work I have done as a member of the Commerce Committee in support of small businesses and I am looking forward to building upon that work this legislative session, and in years to come.

Sincerely,

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I visited EDAC Technologies in Cheshire to see their success first hand and congratulate EDAC on hiring 200 new employees.

I am participating in the Connecticut Business and Industry Association's "Adopt a Legislator Program" and Marion Manufacturing of Cheshire is one of the four businesses that "adopted" me.



HELPING LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES THRIVE

SMALL BUSINESS HOTLINE

Running a small business is hard work. That's why I co-introduced **H.B. 5584** - **AN ACT CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A SMALL BUSINESS HOTLINE.** This bill would create a statewide information hotline providing prospective and existing small business owners with the support they need. Entrepreneurs have expressed frustration that resources and information are scattered across multiple state agencies. If you are starting a business - or expanding - you will be able to call a central resource center at a single phone number for advice on navigating Connecticut's business and regulatory landscape. We are here to help!

STUDENT -> MANUFACTURER CONNECTION FAIR

During my visit to EDAC Technologies in Cheshire, I was made aware that more can be done to connect local manufacturers with students interested in high-paying manufacturing careers. I am proud to announce that I am organizing a **Student** → **Manufacturer Connection Fair** on May 22nd at the Capitol in Hartford. It is my personal goal to actively connect students from both our technical high schools and colleges with prospective employers offering highly skilled, well-paying careers. If you are a student or manufacturer seeking more information about this event, please call my office at 860-240-1378.