Dear Neighbor,

For the last three sessions, I've been privileged to represent Waterbury at the State Capitol, and together, we've achieved significant milestones for our city. We reduced state income taxes and increased exemptions for most retirement income, all while Connecticut's fiscal health is at its best in decades.

During my short time in the legislature, I utilized a common-sense approach that delivers for Waterbury. I advocated for a bipartisan budget that prioritizes students and taxpayers, supports seniors and veterans, champions small businesses, special education resources, and addresses public safety concerns. At the Capitol, I worked across party lines and embraced a collaborative approach to governing.

Waterbury's strength lies with its remarkable residents. I've treasured each opportunity to connect with you at home, coffee hours, forums, and city events.

Thank you for your trust and support, and together, we can continue to make a positive impact on Waterbury. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any concerns, I'm here to assist you to the best of my ability.

Warm Regards,

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AS THE HOUSE BONDING CHAIRMAN **RON SECURED MILLIONS FOR WATERBURY**

- \$1 million for the Waterbury Police Department for **Public Safety**
- \$7.2 million for Brass City Residences to transform a blighted area into a new neighborhood with affordable housing opportunities
- \$7 million for the Phase III Downtown Redevelopment
- \$3.1 million for the former Waterbury Button Factory remediation to prepare it for redevelopment



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CAPITOL UPDATE 2024

COMMITTED TO PUBLIC SAFETY

- Established a Fallen Officers Fund for the surviving families of state or local police officers who were killed in the line of duty.
- Approved funds to establish two new juvenile treatment centers, in an effort to reduce occurrences of catch and release.
- Worked with the Waterbury Police Chief to establish a red light camera program in Waterbury.







STRONG FISCAL HEALTH

"There was no need to bypass, lift or otherwise circumvent the 'fiscal guardrails' that have helped Connecticut get back on solid financial footing. I felt it was imperative to use taxpayer dollars in a fiscally responsible manner" – State Representative Ron Napoli Jr.

- Maintained fiscal discipline and stayed below the established spending cap
- Paid off nearly \$8 billion in state debt
- Increased the Rainy-Day Fund to almost 18% of our total budget



DELIVERING FOR WATERBURY

- \$11 million in extra PILOT funds for Waterbury
- \$25.4 million increase in education grants for Waterbury
- Capped the mill rate by almost half at 32.4 on motor vehicles in order to reduce taxes for Waterbury drivers
- Secured grants for new heating and air conditioning systems to the following elementary schools in the district: Bunker Hill, Bucks Hill, Kingsbury, Driggs, and Sprague
- Secured youth grants for the Yeshiva K'tana
- \$1.4 million for the Mattatuck Museum HVAC upgrades
- \$300,000 for Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation Metal Finishing Program



OUR BIPARTISAN BUDGET INCLUDES

PROTECTING TAX CUTS

WE PASSED A BIPARTISAN BIENNIUM BUDGET THAT INCLUDES HISTORIC TAX CUTS AND INVESTMENTS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

- LARGEST INCOME TAX CUT in state history
- Biggest investment in public education ever
- New supports for the Intellectual or developmental disability community
- Expansion of debt free community college NVCC
- Protected safety net programs for our senior citizens

THIS SESSION WE PROTECTED THESE TAX CUTS AND INVESTED MILLIONS OF FEDERAL FUNDS IN:

- Higher Education \$160 million with a path to grow to \$200 million
- Early Childcare \$21.8 million
- Mental Health \$24 million
- Nonprofits \$50 million

SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS AND HIGHER EDUCATION

- Secured \$361 million for Waterbury schools through fiscal years 2024-2025
- Capped the amount of money all districts pay to send kids out of district –saving millions of dollars for Waterbury schools
- Provided assistance to classroom paraeducators to pay for their health insurance
- Expanded employer-based student loan repayment tax credits and reduced rates for state-backed loans for in-demand occupations

