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Community Update from Assemblyman Nader J. Sayegh PRSRT STD. U.S. Postage **PAID** Albany, NY Permit No. 75

Assemblyman Sayegh Legislation signed into NYS Law

'Grow Your Own Initiative' signed into law

As a lifelong educator, Assemblyman Nader J. Sayegh understands that racially and ethnically diverse educators are under-represented in schools and knows the importance of solving this issue. Ensuring that students have culturally relatable teachers helps them succeed at school. Governor Hochul signed Assemblyman Sayegh's Assembly bill into NYS law that directs the state Education Commissioner to issue guidance to school districts for developing programs to attract



under-represented candidates into the teaching profession (Ch. 350 of 2023).



"With a projected shortage in the teaching profession, it is the time to encourage our youth to become teachers, especially those from under-represented communities." — Assemblyman Sayegh

9/11 Notice Act

After winning unanimous approval in the state legislature, Covernor Kathy Hochul signed Assemblyman Sayegh's 9/11 Notice Act into law this summer. Many are unaware of federal programs available to help those who develop cancer from their exposure to toxins from the 9/11 terrorist attacks. The new law requires employers to notify employees of 9/11 benefits information and eligibility (Ch. 364 of 2023).

Dear Neighbor,

This year has been a busy and very productive time for my Assembly staff and me. I am here to serve you, especially when our community faces challenges. We recently welcomed Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie to Yonkers for meetings with Armour Villa residents affected by recent flash flooding.

I enjoyed meeting many residents at a host of community events, including the Yonkers Police Department and Precinct Community Councils' Night Out Against Crime. I have also secured critical funding to support essential community institutions and organizations, such as Yonkers' police and fire departments and the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy. Additionally, we recently broke ground on another affordable housing project in Yonkers.

Finally, important legislation that I introduced during this year's legislative session has been signed into law, including my 9/11 Notice Act to create a plan to contact hundreds of thousands of people exposed to toxins from the terrorist attack. Another one of my bills that was signed into law involves directing the state education commissioner to help local school districts attract more under-represented students into the teaching profession.

If you would like assistance with any state or local issues, please get in touch with my office at 914-779-8805.



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Community Updates

Building Resiliency in Armour Villa

Assemblyman Sayegh invited state legislative leaders, including Assembly Speaker Heastie, to tour Armour Villa. While visiting the neighborhood, legislators saw the impacts of extreme weather in Yonkers. Assemblyman Sayegh is committed to reducing the effects of climate change by building infrastructure to prevent damage and bolster stormwater management.



2023 Ice Bucket Challenge at MGM

The ALS Ice Bucket Challenge was founded by Yonkers native Pat Quinn, who started the viral challenge in 2014 to help promote awareness and raise funds for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as ALS. Thanks to Pat's ingenuity, the challenge has been done by millions of people worldwide and has helped raise hundreds of millions to continue to find a cure for ALS. Assemblyman Sayegh was honored to participate in this year's challenge at MGM. While Pat passed away too soon in 2020, we continue to honor his memory by fighting for a cure.

Improvements to Untermyer Gardens Conservancy

As Untermyer Cardens in Yonkers undergoes a renaissance, climate change has presented new challenges to the beloved attraction. Frequent and heavy rainfall has eroded the steep hillside running across the Untermyer Gardens. Assemblyman Sayegh fought and secured funding for remediation at the locally beloved gardens, ensuring the conservancy has the support needed to continue serving Yonkers residents with its beautiful green spaces and programs.





Groundbreaking at St. Clair Housing **Development**

Assemblyman Sayegh joined Governor Hochul and local leaders at a housing development construction groundbreaking. It is a solution to the housing scarcity that threatens to upend the incredible progress of the City of Yonkers. We must continue working to help our community grow into a more vibrant and dynamic place to call home.

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Funding for Westchester Disabled on the Move Assemblyman Savegh presented Westchester Disabled on the Move's Executive Director, Maria Samuels, with a \$10,000 check for a state grant that he helped secure to support the organization's work and services.



Afya Fights for Global Health

Assemblyman Sayegh joined Yonkers-based Afya Foundation Founder and CEO, Danielle Butin, to thank and praise the organization's volunteers during their annual Volunteer Recognition Event. Afya improves health equity globally by delivering medical supplies to under-resourced communities.



Assemblyman

Assemblyman Sayegh toured Davita Yonkers East Dialysis Center and talked with the patients receiving the critical treatment they needed. As a member of the Assembly's Health Committee, he is always interested in getting a closer look at the health services his residents need and any state concerns they may have.

My Office is Here to Help

Assemblyman Sayegh welcomes many community groups and constituents to his district office, including the Westchester Children's Association, to discuss community and state concerns, bring state government to them and help cut red tape to access state services and programs.

City of Yonkers Night Out Against Crime



Assemblyman Sayegh joined the City of Yonkers and the Yonkers Police Department, along with community organizations and members of the community, to build neighborhood camaraderie, enjoy food and music, and make Yonkers a secure and safer place to call home.



Savegh Visits Dialysis Clinic



Questions? Concerns? I'm here to help! Assemblyman Nader J. Sayegh | 35 East Grassy Sprain Road, 406B, Yonkers, NY 10710 914-779-8805 | SayeghN@nyassembly.gov