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NEIGHBOR,**

I hope your new year is off to a good start! I want to keep you informed about what's happening around our community, with your state government, my work on your behalf, and what's in store for 2020.

My second year as your representative is in full swing, and it's been an absolute pleasure to serve you. I'm proud of the milestones we've made this year. I will continue to fight for our community and amplify your voices in Harrisburg.

Whether you have a question about legislation or if you have a question about accessing a state service, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Danilo Burgos
State Representative
197th Legislative District

QUERIDOS AMIGOS,

Espero que tu nuevo año es un buen comienzo! Quiero mantenerlos informados sobre lo que está sucediendo en nuestra comunidad con el gobierno de su estado, mi trabajo en su nombre y lo que está reservado para 2020.

Mi segundo año como su representante está en pleno apogeo, y ha sido un placer servirle. Estoy orgulloso de los hitos que hemos logrado este año. Continuaré luchando por nuestra comunidad y amplificaré sus voces en Harrisburg.

Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre la legislación o el acceso a un servicio estatal, no dude en comunicarse con él.

Sinceramente,

Danilo Burgos
Representante Del Estado
197 Distrito Legislativo



Protecting Our Children from Gun Violence

Our city, state and country are reeling from gun violence. Our city alone experienced more shootings, both fatal and non-fatal, last year than other year since 2010. Among the victims were more than 100 children. Nationwide, children are also 13% more likely to die from a gun injury.

Access to improperly stored guns or being an innocent bystander has been a leading culprit of gun violence involving children, but we also can't ignore the repercussions of toy guns appearing real that has also been detrimental to our children's lives. This was the unfortunate case for Tamir Rice, an innocent 12-year-old killed by a police officer for carrying a toy gun that appeared to be real. There have been similar instances that haven't made national news and have thankfully been resolved without any harm to the child.

To prevent such traumatic fatalities, I introduced legislation to ban the sale of certain toy guns and imitation firearms that appear strikingly real in color and feel.

CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCE?



PROTEGER A NUESTROS NIÑOS DE LA VIOLENCIA ARMADA

Nuestra ciudad, estado y país se están recuperando de la violencia armada. Solo nuestra ciudad experimentó más tiroteos, tanto fatales como no fatales, el año pasado que otro año desde 2010. Entre las víctimas había más de 100 niños. A nivel nacional, los niños también tienen un 13% más de probabilidades de morir a causa de una lesión con un arma de fuego.

El acceso a armas almacenadas incorrectamente o ser un espectador inocente han sido los principales culpables de la violencia armada que involucra a niños, pero tampoco podemos ignorar las repercusiones de las armas de juguete que parecen reales que también han sido perjudiciales para la vida de nuestros hijos. Este fue el caso desafortunado para Tamir Rice, un inocente de 12 años asesinado por un policía por llevar un juguete que parecía ser real. Ha habido casos similares que no han hecho noticias nacionales y afortunadamente se han resuelto sin ningún daño al niño.

Para evitar esas muertes traumáticas, introduje una legislación para prohibir la venta de ciertas armas de juguete y armas de fuego de imitación que parecen sorprendentemente reales en color y sensación.

¿PUEDES DETECTAR LA DIFERENCIA?

Protecting hardworking Pennsylvanians

In 2018, 34-year-old Pablo Avendano, a resident of our city, was tragically struck and killed by a car while making deliveries as a courier on his bike for an app-based company. The road conditions weren't ideal – it was pouring rain, but Pablo took on the shift to make extra money and it cost him his life. The app-based company didn't consider Pablo an employee, but instead an independent contractor and therefore wasn't held responsible for his death.

Injuries and even death are all too common in the rise of the “gig” economy in which other “independent contractors” get paid for each “gig” they accept but are not provided the same protections to which actual employees are entitled.

My bill, H.B. 2215, would classify app-based workers as employees, granting them the protections they rightfully deserve. This would afford them unemployment benefits and workers' compensation and would close the loophole that allows these companies to dodge paying into important programs like Social Security and Medicaid.

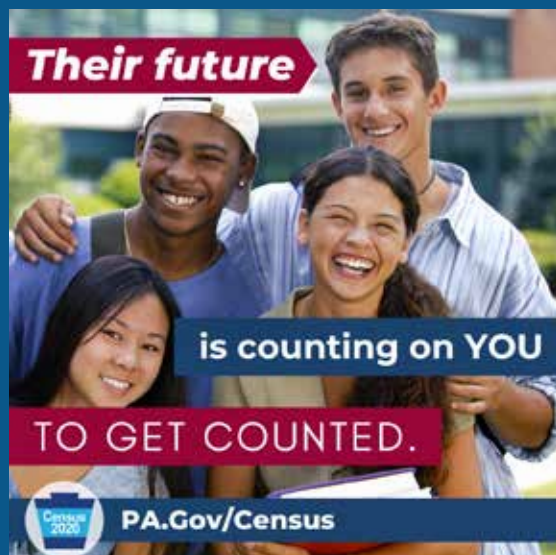
We can't let another life be claimed or ruined by this.

Census day is April 1, 2020, but online responses will be accepted beginning in March 2020.

Every 10 years, the United States conducts a census. This count of U.S. residents helps determine how \$675 billion is spent by the federal government and how Pennsylvania will be represented in Congress for the next decade.

This year, it will be even easier to make sure you and your family are counted. You can respond online, by paper or over the phone. It's important to know that it is completely anonymous. Your information isn't shared, and no one will be able to follow up with you about anything on any basis.

The Census also is hiring for the count. If you are looking for work or to earn some extra income, you can apply to become part of the 2020 Census Team. For more information on the 2020 Census and job opportunities, visit www.2020census.gov.



LLENAR EL CENSO 2020 – Su respuesta podría salvar vidas

Cada 10 años, los Estados Unidos lleva a cabo un censo. Ayuda a determinar cómo el gobierno federal gasta \$675 mil millones y cómo Pennsylvania está representada en el Congreso durante los próximos 10 años.

Llenar el censo si quieres:

- mejores carreteras y puentes.
- niños para tener un mejor acceso a escuelas de calidad.
- mejor acceso a restaurantes y tiendas.
- mejor seguridad pública.

Además, los fondos federales para programas como CHIP, Medicaid, SNAP y WIC se deciden en base a las respuestas al Censo 2020. Su respuesta asegurará que nuestra comunidad obtenga su parte justa de fondos federales para estos importantes programas.

Este año, será aún más fácil asegurarse de que usted y su familia sean contados.

Visite 2020Census.gov a partir del 1 de abril para asegurarse de que está contado en el Censo de 2020.

Responda en línea, por papel o por teléfono. El censo se imprimirá en inglés y español, y hay alojamientos disponibles para personas con discapacidades visuales o auditivas. La asistencia telefónica estará disponible en 13 idiomas.

New and Improved Voting in PA

We have BIG elections coming up this year and I am proud to inform you that Pennsylvania has revamped our voting systems to make sure everyone has time to vote and every vote is counted in 2020 and beyond.

The comprehensive changes in Act 77 of 2019 to the way we cast our ballots will be here just in time for the upcoming Primary Election in April. As your state representative, I want to do everything I can to make sure you understand how things have changed and how much easier it will be for your voice to be heard.

The graphic below details these modernized voting provisions. You also can visit votespa.com for more information. As always, my office is here to help!

Modernizing the vote for 2020

Effective for the April 2020 Primary Election
More Info | www.votespa.com | Register online

More ways to vote

- No-excuse mail-in voting**
New option to vote by mail
Without providing an excuse
- Permanent mail-in ballot list**
Receive applications for
mail-in or absentee ballots
for all elections

More accessible elections

- More time to register**
Deadline to register to vote is
now 15 days before
an election
- Extended voting period**
Request a mail-in or absentee
ballot up to 50 days before
an election
- Extended deadline**
Submit mail-in or absentee ballot
by 8 p.m. on Election Day

SEPTA Key Senior ID Card

SEPTA is providing a one-year extension of all SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards expiring in calendar year 2020. Seniors with a card expiring in 2020 will be able to continue to ride SEPTA using their current card for 12 months beyond the printed date of expiration (for example, cards with a May 2020 expiration date will continue to be valid for travel through May 2021).

While no SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards will expire during calendar year 2020, card holders with a card expiring in 2020 who wish to renew their card in the coming year, can obtain same day card renewal at one of the below locations:

- SEPTA Headquarters – 1234 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19107
- SEPTA Accessible Travel Center – Room #109, Suburban Station, 15 N. 16th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19107

The extension applies only to cards expiring in calendar year 2020 and does not affect new applications in any way. Seniors can continue to apply for new SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards at SEPTA Headquarters and the Accessible Travel Center, and my staff will also continue to take photographs and process applications at my district office. In the coming year, I will be working with SEPTA as they develop a process that will allow my office to handle card renewals in the future.

REAL ID Reminder

We're less than a year away from needing a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or ID card to board a domestic flight or enter secure federal facilities. If you don't have a U.S. Passport or active Military ID, you'll need a REAL ID for this purpose by Oct. 1, 2020.

To obtain one, take all the following to a Driver's License Center:

- Original birth certificate with a raised seal or a valid U.S. Passport
- Social Security card
- Proof of all legal name changes (marriage license or court order)
- Two proofs of current items that show your physical address.

More information for REAL ID can be found at www.dmv.gov/REALID/.



I was thrilled to spend time with children in our community. There were food, games and other fun activities, and educational resources were available at my Children and Youth Fair last month!



In our state Capitol in February, I hosted the 176th anniversary of the independence of the Dominican Republic. It was an honor to bring the rich history, culture and contributions of Dominicans across the Commonwealth to the forefront.



It was an honor to stand with the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus in our state's Capitol to recognize the brave efforts of the Tuskegee Airmen. These men and women fought relentlessly to protect the freedoms we have today.



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MY OFFICE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

- Applying for state programs such as Property Tax/Rent Rebate and PACE
- Birth and death certificates
- SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards (Age 65+)
- Disability parking placards/plates
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) information
- Problems or questions about PennDOT, including car registrations, titles and license applications
- Public benefit applications or issues, including SNAP and Medical Assistance
- Unemployment compensation questions
- Questions about utilities or the PUC
- Complaints and problems with insurance companies
- Problems with Pennsylvania income taxes
- College grant and loan (PHEAA) information

MI OFICINA PUEDE AYUDARTE CON:

- Asistencia para obtener y rellenar formularios estatales de todo tipo
- Aplicación de programas estatales como el impuesto a la propiedad/descuento de alquiler Y PACE
- Certificados de nacimiento y de defunción
- Tarjeta de SEPTA para los ancianos (edad 65+)
- Tarjetas de estacionamiento para discapacitados
- Programa de seguro de salud para los niños (CHIP)
- Problemas o preguntas acerca de PennDOT, incluyendo registros de automóviles, títulos y aplicaciones de licencia
- Aplicaciones o problemas de beneficio público, incluyendo SNAP y asistencia Médica
- Ayuda por el Programa de Impuesto de la Propiedad/descuento por Alquiler
- Cuestiones relativas a la indemnización por desempleo
- Preguntas sobre utilidades o la PUC
- Quejas y problemas con las compañías de seguros
- Problemas de impuestos estatales
- Menciones de la Cámara de Representantes por logros locales sobresalientes e hitos familiares
- Información de PHEAA
- ¡Cualquier asunto relacionado con el gobierno del estado!