Dear Friend,

Happy Summer! I hope this mailing finds you well. I am honored to represent you and every one of the residents who call Branch and Hillsdale County home. We share many priorities and principles and it is a privilege to be your voice.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

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UPCOMING FESTIVALS & EVENTS

Branch
June 16 • Coldwater Strawberryfest & Crafts
July 19 - 22 • Bronson Polish Festival
August 5 - 11 • Branch County Fair

Hillsdale
August 2 - 5 • Reading Summer Festival
August 16 - 19 • Litchfield Sweet Corn Days
September 23 - 29 • Hillsdale County Fair
And more!

YOUR INPUT MATTERS

1. What do you think are the top state legislative issues?
2. Would you like a copy of...
   - Getting to Know Michigan Coloring Book
   - Peace of Mind: A Guide to Medical and Legal Decisions
   - Services for Seniors
   - State Road Map
   - U.S. Constitution
3. What type of legislative or community information would you find most helpful in our next mailer?

Please return this survey to help us serve you better.

Our office reads every response personally and I consider it an honor to represent you.

E-mail
Name
Address
City
Zip
Phone

Please cut out form and mail in an envelope to:
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Legislative Update Summer 2018
Fighting for TAXPAYERS
- Less wasteful spending: You deserve government that is more efficient, effective, and accountable. I’m pleased to say we have reduced the state’s overall general budget spending and continue to pay down debt so our kids won’t have to. (State Budget FY 2017/18, HB 4323)
- Cutting income taxes: Because I respect how hard you work for your money, I voted five times to lower your state taxes. (HBs 4001, 5420-21, SBs 748, 750)
- Eliminating double taxes: I helped approve a plan to accelerate a sales tax reduction for people who buy cars, trucks and SUVs with a trade-in. (SBs 94, 95)

Fighting for STUDENTS
- Record school funding: I fought for record-level funding for our local K-12 schools and am working to ensure resources go directly into classrooms since students deserve to be inspired and encouraged. (State Budget FY 2017/18, HB 4313)
- More skilled trades: I helped create balanced training opportunities that prepare students for high-skilled careers because a college degree isn’t the only path to success. (HBs 5139-42, 5145)
- Increasing school safety: All students deserve to feel, and be, safe while at school. I am pushing for new solutions to improve safety in K-12 schools and universities. (HBs 5828-30, 5850-52)
- Gaining real-world experience: I support a plan to allow high school students to earn course credit for completing an internship or work study program so they can build experience while they receive credit. (HBs 4106, 5676)

Fighting for ALL Michigan Residents
- Lowering the cost of car insurance: One of my priorities is making car insurance more affordable because we are all tired of paying the highest rates in the nation. I will never stop fighting for this issue. (HB 5013)
- Fixing roads: Like you, I’m frustrated with the condition of our roads. I fought for record funding to fix roads and bridges in a smart and strategic manner without raising taxes. (HB 4321)
- Stopping identity theft: I supported a solution to better protect people by providing free credit freezes because consumer fraud can be a nightmare. (HB 5094)
- Ending driver fees: I voted to eliminate the failed driver responsibility fee program to help people get their drivers licenses back so they can get to a job and back on their feet. (HBs 5040-46, 5079-80)
- No back-door fees: For example, I fought to stop a new proposal that would have forced all kayak, canoe and paddle board owners to pay a yearly $10 registration fee. (HCR 22)

Fighting for WORKERS
- Bigger paychecks: I continue pushing to reduce income taxes so workers can keep more of their hard-earned paychecks. (HB 4001)
- Better benefits: I supported a new law to allow local governments to save on health care while offering better benefits to police and firefighters. (SB 43)
- Restoring the dream of retirement: When people work hard their entire life, they deserve peace of mind for the future. That’s why we passed a plan to give hard-working school and state employees more options to invest their money for retirement. (HBs 5230-31)
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Fighting for FAMILIES
- Providing tax relief: Moms and dads work hard, and they deserve a tax break to help them provide for their families. That’s why I was eager to preserve and increase personal exemptions for taxpayers and their dependents. (HBs 5420-21, SBs 748, 750)
- Combating opioids: Opioid addiction devastates lives and tears families apart. I backed solutions to stop abuse and increase access to treatment. (HBs 4405-04, 4406-07)
- Improving mental health: I’m working to improve access and strengthen care for people who are facing mental health challenges. (House C.A.R.E.S. Task Force recommendations)

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