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Community Update: Vaccine Update, New Nursing Home Protections, and more

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Dear Friends:

The state budget is due in less than a week, by April 1st, and my colleagues and I are working hard toward an on-time and balanced agreement between the Senate, Assembly, and the Governor's Office. As the Chair of the Committee on Education, my top priority is to ensure

education funding that helps our schools build back stronger. Additionally, I am committed to helping our communities build back from COVID by supporting our small businesses & those hardest hit by the pandemic and making sure we protect our local property taxpayers.

On Wednesday, March 24th, I was pleased to vote for a package of legislation to further improve protections and transparency at nursing homes in New York State. We have learned hard and painful lessons over the past year, and I believe that now is the time to prospectively restore standards of liability to the healthcare profession. Read more about the package of legislation adopted this week in the section below.

As of Tuesday, March 23rd, New Yorkers who are 50 years old and over are now eligible to receive the vaccine. I urge you to check back regularly for additional new appointments available through the [Am I Eligible](#) state website. Additional information about vaccine eligibility and resources are included below.

This week, I hosted my 5th Annual Women's History Month Celebration with Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins honoring outstanding women from the 37th District who helped our communities overcome the challenges of the pandemic. [Click here](#) to watch the recording of the event.

As always, if there is anything my office can assist you with, please don't hesitate to email me at smayer@nysenate.gov or call (914) 934-5250.

Warm regards,
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