Senator Robach's Community Connection







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Legislatively Speaking

This week, I was proud to support my colleagues in the New York State Senate by a series of anti-crime bills. The legislation comes in the wake of the horrific events that occurred in Boston last week.

Bill S1018, which I was a sponsor of, would increase penalties for criminals who attempt robberies with devices appearing to be bombs or explosives. The bill would elevate the criminal charge from third degree to first or second degree robbery.

This was just one of the bills in this comprehensive anticrime legislation package. Other highlights included:

- Full prison time for terrorists
- Protect Our Children Act
- Expanding Ages for Aggravated Assault of a Child
- Tougher Penalties for Assaulting a Police Officer

Funding Secured for Summer of Opportunity Program

Recently, I had the opportunity to announce funding that I was proud to



secure for the City of Rochester's Summer of Opportunity Program. SOOP provides city high school students, ages of 14-20, with a job or a career-exploration opportunity. For more details of the program, visit my website at www.robach.nysenate.gov.

Out and About Upcoming Events

On Monday, April 29th, The SUNY Rochester Educational Opportunity Center will hold the formal dedication of the Dr. Melva L. Brown Learning Resource Center from 11:15 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

Also Monday, Rochester Labor Council, in conjunction with the AFL-CIO, will hold a Workers' Memorial Day ceremony from 5:00 until 6:00 p.m. at the Workers Memorial site at Highland Park.

Wednesday, May 1st, at Noon, Eastman Commons will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony and an open house. Eastman Commons is located at 1630 Dewey Avenue.

The Teen Empowerment/10th Annual Community Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 2nd, at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Imagine R.I.T. will take place on Saturday, May 4th from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. For more information, including a complete schedule, visit www.rit.edu/imagine.

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