



A legislative update from  
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Greetings from the Ohio House of Representatives! As the second half of 2023 nears, it is proving to be a productive start in the Ohio House of Representatives. Please allow this legislative update to serve as a highlight into some of the work we have been doing.

Ladies and gentleman, please join me in welcoming our new Legislative Aide, Nate Kolenda. Nate is responsible for providing the day to day support of the office. Nate is a graduate of Ohio University and is looking forward to working with Representative Rogers and serving the residents of House District 44.



Welcome to new Legislative Aide, Nate Kolenda.

I was honored to host and welcome Ashley Cutcher, the recipient of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Toledo's 2023 Youth of the Year award. Ashley is a senior at Central Catholic High School, and finished runner-up in the Ohio Youth of the Year competition. I am proud to celebrate and acknowledge Ashley's accomplishments. She is an outstanding role model and is making Toledo proud.



I was proud to present a House commendation to Ashley Cutcher .

Please join me in celebrating all of our seniors with nonagenarian birthdays. A special birthday shout out to Mrs. Spidell of northwest Ohio who turned 90 this year. If you have a milestone birthday and would like to be recognized please contact our office at rep44@ohiohouse.gov.

Please contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

Elgin Rogers, Jr.

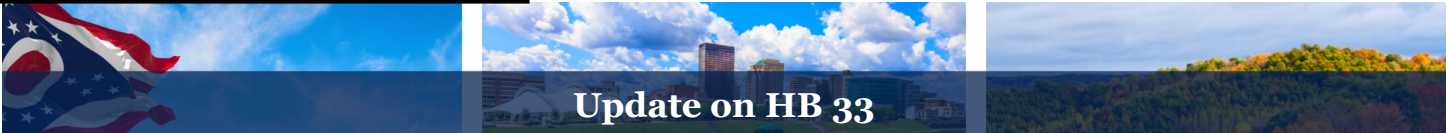


The northwest Ohio arts community was well represented at the Governor's Awards for the Arts.



It was a pleasure to join two of my colleagues from across the aisle, Senator Theresa Gavarone and Representative Gary Click, for a tour of Woodmore Local Schools. It was great to discuss school lunch programs with stakeholders in the community who are impacted the most by the decisions made at the Statehouse.

It is always a pleasure to engage with leaders of public education.



The 2024—2025 Operating Budget was passed by the Ohio House of Representatives. The bill passed with overwhelming, bipartisan support. I was able to work across the aisle and was able to garner support to protect victims of crime in the budget.

infant care. These priorities will drive Ohio forward, making us more competitive and guarantee Ohio is the best place to work, live, and raise a family.

Democrats are always working to ensure our public schools are fully funded, that Ohioans have access to affordable housing, and we invest in maternal/



National Train Day was a great success for northwest Ohio.

SJR 2 was passed on Wednesday, April 10. It is an undemocratic, unpopular, and unfair resolution. In a rush to restrict access to abortion—which they freely admit--some extremist Republicans and special interest groups have put culture wars ahead of our freedom and Ohio's economic future with SJR 2. This resolution will drive businesses from Ohio, discourage new innovation from coming to the state, and set Ohio's economic potential back decades. Restricting ballot initiatives takes away Ohioans' voice's and our right to decide what matters most. It will end majority rule in Ohio, shred our Constitution, and take away our right to decide what happens in our communities. Democrats will always support legislation that upholds the freedom to be who we are, the dignity of representation, and opportunity to thrive. This matter will now go before voters on August 8, 2023. We must fight and vote no on this issue.

