Dear Family,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your family well. Please take a moment to look at what we have been doing in the 64th District and the State of California!

I’m happy to share with you that I was able to keep an important campaign promise when Compton Community College regain control after nearly 10 years of oversight. This is exciting news and it’s good to know that we have regained this educational gem.

This year, I introduced AB1299 to assist Compton College and students with the transition. I was able to obtain $11.3 million dollars to help the college. I also authored AB1118 which seeks to make the first year of community college free to all students.

In October, the Governor signed several of my bills into law:

AB7 - addresses public safety by closing a loophole that allowed long guns to be openly carried in public.
AB878 - prohibits the use of shackles and belly chains for youth during transportation to a court appearance except if the youth is a threat to others or themselves.
Just so you know, adults are not shackled when they appear in court.
AB949 - requires background checks for all school contractors who provide services such as maintenance, landscaping, transportation and more. The safety of our children is of utmost importance.
AB604 - allows for transition age foster youth to be able to access extended foster care beyond their 18th birthday.

AB294 - requires the owners of mobile home parks to provide their names, addresses and contact numbers within 10 days, upon the request of the mobile home owner.

AB1008 – lead co-author, also known as the Fair Chance Act of 2017 and “Ban the Box.” This bill will help to eliminate employment barriers by prohibiting a public or private employer from asking if the applicant had been convicted of a crime on an initial employment application.

The State Assembly will soon begin another legislative session where we will introduce more bills to address the needs of Californians, and of course, the residents of the 64th Assembly District! I invite you to visit my website to keep up with all of our exciting events and important news.

Harbor Gateway -
Yatai Festival, 186th Street Neighborhood Watch and Japan Alliance with Bill Takubo, principal, 186th Street Elementary School.

Compton - Asm. Gipson greeted the families and community at the Walk for Autism & Art Show by KLIQ & Hub City Autism Network.

Watts - Asm. Gipson attended the 2nd Annual iHeart Watts Annual Family Fun Day at 109th Street Park. He greeted the families and provided a legislative update.

Carson - Asm. Gipson participated in the 10th Annual California State Legislature Breakfast hosted by the Apartment Assn. of Greater Los Angeles for discussion and a legislative update.
Compton - Asm. Gipson participated in a “Meet & Greet” with the Compton Women’s Club at the IHOP Restaurant in Compton. He gave a legislative update and answered questions.

Carson - Asm. Gipson attended the 25th Tesoro Summer Youth Graduation at California State University Dominguez Hills. He recognized the program and congratulated students.

Compton - Asm. Gipson toured the Jamba Juice restaurant at Town Center in Compton. He congratulated them on the Compton location, gave a legislative update and answered questions.

South Los Angeles - Asm. Gipson greeted participants and organizers at the 8th Annual Walk 4 Life starting at Earvin “Magic” Johnson Park, hosted by the People for Community Improvement, focused on “Unity and Missing Youth.”

Wilmington - Asm. Gipson participated in a “Meet & Greet” with residents and business community at the Banc of California. He gave a legislative update and answered questions.
Watts - Asm. Gipson joined students and faculty for a “Back to School Picnic” hosted by Edwin Markham Middle School. He welcomed the new principal, Mr. Kim and new vice-principal, Ms. Kawasaki.

Wilmington – Asm. Gipson attended the Wilmington Art Walk held on the first Friday of every month at Banning’s Landing. He recognized the organizers and greeted constituents and vendors.

Watts - Asm. Gipson attended the 2nd Annual Backpack Giveaway organized by the Sisters of Watts at the Watts Civic Center. He greeted the students and families while providing words of encouragement for the new school year.

Compton – Asm. Gipson announced the winner of the Miss Compton Pageant at the Dollarhide Community Center in Compton. He recognized the organizer Ms. Shanice McKinley and congratulated all of the contestants.

Wilmington –
Asm. Gipson addressed the participants and their supporters at Ciclavia which kicked off in San Pedro and wound through Wilmington and the beautiful, scenic and cultural communities of the 64th Assembly District.

Multiple Locations
- Asm. Gipson spoke and participated in “National Night Out” in Carson, South Los Angeles/Watts, Compton and Wilmington to promote better police and community partnerships.
**Watts** – Asm. Gipson congratulated Fire Captain Donald Green who celebrated his retirement at Fire Station 65 after 34 years of service to our community.

**Gardena** – Asm Gipson participated in the 8th Annual “Operation Backpack Giveaway” hosted by the Gardena Valley Chamber of Commerce.

**Wilmington** – Asm Gipson participated in celebrating the birthday of Phineas Banning, the founder of Wilmington at the historic Banning Museum. He also visited Banning High School’s Marching Band and Drill Team where he recognized Mr. Woodson, former band director; Mr. Ortiz, current band director; and Mr. Mendoza, principal.
Watts & Willowbrook – Asm. Gipson attended the Drew Child Development Corporation’s “Back 2 School Health and Resource Event.” He gave greetings and thanked Dr. Mike Jackson, CEO and staff for more than 20 years serving the South Los Angeles Community.

Watts & Compton – Over the summer, Asm. Gipson hosted Parent Workshops at 93rd Street Elementary School in Watts and Kenny Elementary School in Compton. The series of three workshops were Emergency Preparedness; the Truth about Drugs; and Habitat for Humanity. Parents who completed all three workshops were recognized in a special ceremony at Mona Park Community Room in Compton.

Compton - Asm. Gipson participated in a “Meet & Greet” with Principal Shandrea Daniel, faculty, staff and parents at Magnolia Science Academy 3 in Carson. He gave a legislative update; talked about safety, education and DACA; and answered questions. Asm. Gipson recognized Janette Lee, school security guard and volunteer and Quiencela Daniel, school plant manager.

Various – Asm Gipson welcomed students on “National Walk to School Day.” Pictured at Griffith Joyner Elementary and Markham Middle School.
Compton - Asm. Gipson recognized Councilmember Tana McCoy during “Movies at the Park” and school backpack giveaway at Burrell MacDonald Park.

Lynwood - Asm. Gipson joined residents and greater Lynwood community to celebrate the 100th birthday of the historic Lynwood Depot.

Carson – Asm. Gipson addressed health issues affecting the Pacific Islander community at “Matagaluega Play Day” hosted by the Office of Samoan Affairs at Victoria Park in Carson. He shared resource information and pending health legislation.

Wilmington – Asm Gipson attended the Wilmington Neighborhood Council at the Phineas Banning High School Theater. He gave a legislative update and recognized the Wilmington Cali Bears, an award winning youth basketball team.

Watts – Asm Gipson participated and co-hosted with LAUSD South Superintendent Christopher Downing a panel providing DACA renewal and immigration rights information at Jordan High School in Watts. He gave a legislative update on DACA and immigration related issues.
Compton — Asm. Gipson attended Mexican Independence Day hosted by the Compton Latino Chamber of Commerce at Cliff’s Texas Burritos in Compton. He provided remarks and gave a legislative update.

Carson — Asm. Gipson attended “Sabor Latino” Opening Ceremony for Carson’s 4th Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration hosted by the city of Carson. He gave a legislative update and announced upcoming Immigration and DACA events.

Watts — Asm. Gipson attends the Watts Gang Task Force whenever his schedule permits. They meet on Mondays except for holidays. He provides a legislative update and answers questions.

Compton — Asm Gipson attended the 90th Anniversary of Compton Community College, Homecoming Festival; and Car Show hosted by the Compton Community College Office of the President. He gave a legislative update on AB1299 and talked about the allocation of $11.3 million for fiscal transition.

Wilmington — Asm. Gipson has organized ‘DACA Healing Circles’ as a means of gathering students and adults navigate the ongoing emotional stress of anti-immigration threats of displacement and separation from families. The first gathering was held at the Wilmington Boys and Girls Club.

Carson — Asm. Gipson attended the 7th Annual “Life & Times Festival and Awards Gala” hosted by Life & Times Media. He congratulated the honorees and gave a legislative update including DACA and the Nigerian community.

Compton - Asm. Gipson attended the World Oil & DeMenno/Kerdoon Community Open House and Backpack Giveaway at the company’s Compton plant. He greeted the students and families, provided words of encouragement for the new school year and gave a legislative update.
**Watts/Willowbrook** – Asm. Gipson participated in a panel discussion following a movie screening of “Walking While Black: L.O.V.E. is the Answer” at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, Keck Hall. He recognized the writers, producers A.J. Ali and Errol Webber in addition to panelists which included law enforcement and community partners. He gave a legislative update as it pertained to the topic.

**Compton** - Asm. Gipson greeted residents and gave a legislative update at the Compton Community Legal Clinic.

**Los Angeles** - Asm. Gipson spoke at the UTLA (United Teachers of Los Angeles) “Leadership Pace Program.”

**Carson** – Asm. Gipson addressed the participants at the 5th Annual Faith-Based Small Business Summit hosted by the Small Business Association, Los Angeles at the Juanita Millender McDonald Community Center in Carson. He presented his legislative agenda including items pertinent to business.


**Compton** – Asm. Gipson attending the Grocery Outlet’s “Back to School” event at the new location in Compton; welcomed owner, Kia Patterson and gave a legislative update.

**Lynwood** - Asm. Gipson hosted a “Meet & Greet” Coffee at St. Francis Hospital in Lynwood. He gave a legislative update and answered questions from the hospital staff and community.

**Watts** - Asm. Gipson participated in the “Safe & Sober” summer program. He congratulated the participants and gave a legislative update.

**Los Angeles** - Asm. Gipson spoke and gave a legislative update to a Political Science class at Los Angeles City Community College.
Watts – Asm. Gipson joined Sisters of Watts for their “100 Young Men March.” Youth, families and community supporters gathered for peace, education and safety.

Los Angeles – Asm. Gipson cohosted the “Break It to Make It” program at Los Angeles City Community College funded by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to outreach to incarcerated and re-entry individuals through arts and education.

Watts/Willowbrook – Asm Gipson addressed the participants and stakeholders at the South Los Angeles PrEP Summit hosted by OASIS Clinic at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science. He spoke on HIV/AIDS legislation; resources and HIV hearings held in San Francisco and San Diego. Asm. Gipson is the chair of the Select Committee on Infectious Diseases in High Risk Disadvantaged Communities.

Carson – Asm. Gipson gave remarks at the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Regional Recycled Water Demonstration Facility at the L.A. County Joint Water Pollution Control Plant in Carson. Distribution lines from the purification plant will run through the 64th Assembly District starting in Carson. Asm. Gipson spoke about AB272 which will improve drinking water and infrastructure in southeast Los Angeles County. He also mentioned AB1668, SB606 and SB5 which addressed water conservation projects.

Torrance – Asm. Gipson addressed the Real Estate Licensing class at El Camino Community College.
Church Visits and Events

Assemblymember Gipson, a former youth pastor, enjoys participating in services and visiting churches and houses of worship in the 64th district. If you would like Asm. Gipson to worship with you at your church, please contact Kyle Lee, Field Representative at (310) 324-6408.

Church One Ministries - North Long Beach - Pastor: Bishop Todd Ervin
Bethel Missionary Baptist Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Dr. Reginald Pope
Samoan Congregational Church - Carson - Pastor: Fiatupu Tavai
88th Street Temple Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Superintendent Anthony Williams
Beulah Baptist Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Robert Taylor
St. John’s United Methodist Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Larry Dozier
City of Refuge - Gardena - Pastor: Bishop Noel Jones
Greater Zion Church Family - Compton - Pastor: Michael J. Fisher
Starlight Church of Christ - Compton - Pastor: Calvert E. Wright
Mission Ebenezer Baptist Church - Carson - Pastor: Rev. Dr. Isaac J. Canales
Resurrection Church - Carson - Pastor: Joseph Robinson
The Village Missionary Baptist Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Charles Harris
Truth & Love Church - Carson - Pastor: Walter Tucker
Judson Baptist Church - Carson - Pastor: Johnny Baylor
Grant A.M.E. Church - Los Angeles - Pastor: Dr. James Arthur Rumph
Our Lady of Victory – Compton - Pastor: Father Francisco
Family of Faith Christian Center - Long Beach - Pastor: Dr. Sherman A. Gordon
Peace Apostolic Church - Carson - Pastor: Howard Swancy
Hope Central Watts – Watts – Pastor: Jose Hernández
Triedstone Church of God in Christ – Wilmington – Pastor: Elder Michael Jackson
City on the Hill – Carson – Pastor: Bishop Jawane R. Hilton
Harbor Christian Center – Wilmington – Pastor: Don Ezell
Watts-Willowbrook Church of Christ – Compton – Pastor: David G. Holmes
Olafou United Samoan Church of America – Lomita – Pastor: Dr. Lio Thompson

For more news, latest updates and upcoming events, visit Asm. Mike A. Gipson’s website at
https://a64.asmdc.org/
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