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2023 Constituent Survey Results

I am pleased to provide the results of the survey my office mailed out in January to every household in the 129th Assembly District to hear directly from constituents regarding proposed legislation and initiatives this year. Below are the tabulated responses from the 1,062 surveys received, representing about a 6% return. The results are also tabulated to reflect the overall responses received from constituents residing in the City of Syracuse, the Town of Geddes and the Town of Van Buren. The percentages may not add up to 100% because some respondents did not answer every question. For those who took the time to return your survey – Thank you. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about this or any other issue, please call my office.

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1. The Governor proposed a system of universal child care for infants through 3-year-olds making high-quality child care and early education either free or affordable to everyone. The program would cost about \$3 billion, but would allow people to work and be confident their children have reliable care. Would you support funding universal child care in New York State?
Yes 58% No 39%
2. Would you support a carbon tax on businesses that generate greenhouse gases to fund renewable energy projects across the state?
Yes 55% No 43%
3. The proposed “Elder Parole” bill would grant the opportunity for parole to all incarcerated persons who reach age 55 and served at least 15 years of their sentence regardless of their original crime or length of sentence. It does not mandate that parole be granted. Do you support the “Elder Parole” bill?
Yes 26% No 71%
4. During the COVID-19 pandemic, a federal policy ensured every student in the nation had access to free school meals – however, this program ended and 726,000 students across New York lost access to free school meals. The estimated cost of providing all students statewide free meals (breakfast and lunch), regardless of income level would be around \$200 million. Do you support this program?
Yes 57% No 41%
5. Do you believe that minimum wage should be adjusted to keep pace with inflation?
Yes 70% No 28%
6. Group homes, long-term care facilities, and nursing homes are struggling to find and keep staff, many of whom are paid for by Medicaid. Medicaid rates have not increased in New York State in 12 years. Should New York raise Medicaid rates?
Yes 72% No 23%
7. The NY Climate Action Council recommends banning the sale of new fossil fuel powered home heating systems beginning in 2030 and requiring new replacement systems be “carbon-free.” Do you support this proposal?
Yes 37% No 60%
If no, what year should this mandate go into place? 2040 2050 Never
2040 13%
2050 7%
Never 40%
8. “Complete Streets” are features in road design/construction that make travel easier/safer for bikes and pedestrians and work to slowdown traffic. Should municipalities be mandated to adopt “Complete Streets” features in all roadway projects, including repaving or maintenance?
Yes 47% No 47%

NCAA Champions

Assemblyman Magnarelli presented a proclamation to the 2022 NCAA Men's Soccer Championship team from Syracuse University.



Airport Police Department Formed

Assemblyman Magnarelli authored the legislation to bring a police department to Hancock Airport to help maintain safety and security. It was passed by the Assembly, Senate and signed by the Governor. On March 6 the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority Police began their patrols.



Budget Advocacy Meetings

As the Assembly works on creating a one-house budget to present to the Governor, Assemblyman Magnarelli meets with numerous advocacy groups looking to have funds included in the budget. One such group is this SU, LeMoyne College and Clarkson Students' group advocating for the Higher Education Opportunity Program.



New Law Allows Tenants to Bring Action Against Landlords

The Governor signed into law Assemblyman Magnarelli's legislation which gives tenants the right to bring actions against landlords in city, district and/or justice court for habitability and housing code violations.

Tenants in New York City currently have this right, whereas outside New York City, tenants are unable to bring an action in court against an unscrupulous landlord. For example, in the City of Syracuse, a tenant usually can only get into City Court when a landlord brings an eviction proceeding for the non-payment of rent. Without this bill, a tenant can not proactively take action on its right to have premises habitable.

Improving access to the courts will help tenants outside of New York City assert their rights against bad landlords without fear of eviction.

Allowing tenants to bring these claims will help hold landlords accountable for unsafe conditions and notify local authorities about problem properties. All tenants in New York deserve to live in safe conditions.

April 22- E-Recycling Event- 9a.m. to noon

DestinyUSA Pink Lot. Registration required

<https://form.jotform.com/Sunnking/Magnarelli23>

May 6-Shredding Event- 9 a.m. to Noon at

DestinyUSA Pink Lot. Registration required-

<https://nyassembly.gov/mem/William-B-Magnarelli/story/105155>

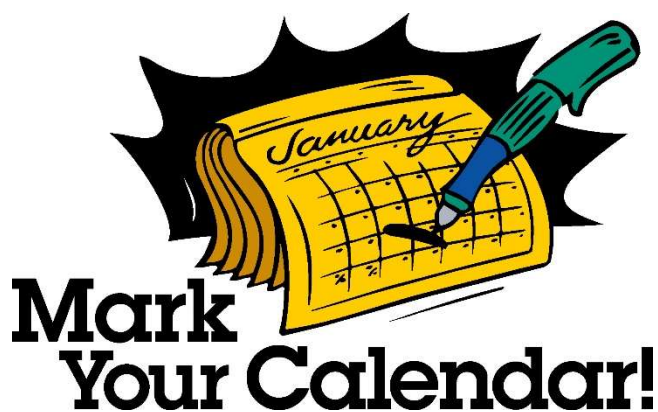
September 30- Shredding Event- 9 a.m. to Noon at

NYS Fairgrounds Brown Lot. Registration to be released soon.

November 4 – CNY Veterans Parade and Expo at the

NYS Fairgrounds and Center of Progress Building.

Information at CNYVeteransParade.org



About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129th Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood Valley and Downtown areas of the City of Syracuse, Syracuse University area, Outer Comstock, as well as the towns of Geddes and Van Buren. He first won election in 1998 for an open Assembly seat and has been reelected since then. During his terms in office, Assemblyman Magnarelli has focused his efforts on bringing more jobs to Central New York, lowering taxes, providing our children a better education at every level, improving our healthcare and keeping our families safe. For more information, contact Assemblyman Magnarelli's District Office at (315) 428-9651 or visit <http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/magnarelli>.