



Assemblyman

**William B. Magnarelli**

Assembly District 129

## June and July 2024

June marks the conclusion of the 2024 Legislative Session for the New York State Assembly. But by no means does the work of my Assembly Office stop when the calendar hits the summer months. My staff and I work hard all summer to take care of constituent services, attend public events, and take meetings with the various stakeholders and constituents looking to speak with me and my office directly. I take pride in my office being accessible to the public year-round and I look forward to serving my constituents. Please enjoy a safe, happy and healthy summer and please feel free to contact me or my staff for any assistance you may require.

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### Getting the Job Done

Assemblyman Magnarelli is pleased to announce the recent completion of the Pleasant Beach Bridge Widening Project in the Town of Geddes. The project widens the walkway over the bridge so that emergency vehicles, like the Lakeside Fire Department's First Aid Gator Vehicle, can pass through in case of emergencies. Assemblyman Magnarelli would like to thank his partners in the project who helped make this a success: NYS DOT Region 3 Director, Dave Smith; Town of Geddes Supervisor, Susan LaFex; Town of Geddes Councilor, Ed Weber; and Lakeside Fire Department Chief, Manny Falcone.



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### A Day at the Everson Museum

Assemblyman Magnarelli recently took a tour of Louise, a new cafe in the Everson Museum of Art with Elizabeth Dunbar, Director and CEO, and Jennifer Neuner, Deputy Director. Louise opened July 24.



Dremer Restaurant Group - owners of LaLaLu, Lobster Babe, Loded, and Rise N Shine have gained popularity in the Syracuse area with their creative and photo-worthy menu items.

At Louise, each dish is served on a ceramic piece from the Rosenfield collection. On the bottom is an electronic tab that allows phones to access additional information about the piece and the artist.

Designed by renowned architect, I.M. Pei, and opened in 1968, the Everson Museum of Art houses roughly 11,000 pieces of art, including paintings, sculpture, ceramics and video.

The Everson is one of the unsung gems of the art world. During the summer months, Assemblyman Magnarelli encourages you to visit our local museums, like the Everson, and experience all they have to offer.

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## Supporting Our Historic Theaters

On July 22nd, Assemblyman Magnarelli made an announcement at the historic Syracuse Landmark Theatre of a \$5 million appropriation in the New York State Budget for "Alive Downtowns!", a combined advocacy organization of 13 historic theaters throughout Upstate NY, like the Landmark, that serve as anchor institutions of their respective communities. The Syracuse Landmark Theatre will receive \$300,000 for operating costs from its share of the Alive Downtowns! funding. Assemblyman Magnarelli looks forward to a successful 2024-2025 season of live events, including hit Broadway shows such as "Hamilton".



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## Marching in the Memorial Day Parade

Assemblyman Magnarelli had the honor of marching in the Eastwood Memorial Day Parade on the morning of Monday, May 27th. Assemblyman Magnarelli was joined by his fellow elected officials from the City of Syracuse in marching through beautiful Eastwood in honor of all those who served our country.



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## Honoring Those Who Served in Solvay and Geddes



Assemblyman Magnarelli was the keynote speaker at the Solvay-Geddes Memorial Day Ceremony outside the Veterans Monument at Woods Road Park in Solvay on Monday, May 27th. Assemblyman Magnarelli spoke on the bravery of the soldiers from Solvay and Geddes, many of whom gave their lives for the defense of our country, and are honored with their names inscribed on the Veterans Monument in the Park.



Assemblyman Magnarelli greets original founding member of the Solvay-Geddes Veterans, and longtime Geddes Town Supervisor, Manny Martinez. At 102 years old, Manny Martinez is a hero of the Western Front of World War II, having been wounded in battle during the Rhineland Campaign of 1945. He received two Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart for his heroic actions during the battle.

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### **A Shredding Success!**

Assemblyman Magnarelli wanted to thank all who attended the free paper shredding event on Saturday, June 1st in the Pink Lot of DestinyUSA off of Solar Street. Hundreds of cars came to this event which was sponsored by Assemblyman Magnarelli, Confidata, and hosted by DestinyUSA.



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### **Legislative Accomplishments in the 2024 Session**

Assemblyman Magnarelli was proud to sponsor important legislation that passed in this 2024 Legislative Session. Below are the Assembly bills sponsored by Assemblyman Magnarelli that: passed both houses and were signed into law by the Governor; bills that were previously passed in the Budget; and bills that have passed both houses of the Legislature, but have not yet been acted upon by Governor Hochul.

#### **Signed into Law by the Governor:**

1. A.8603: Chapter Amendment to law forbidding landlords to evict tenants if they are not in compliance with Syracuse's Rental Registry Law. (Chapter 64)
2. A.8490: Chapter Amendment to law authorizing "Mobile Crisis Team" to use green lights on their vehicles. (Chapter 71)

3. A.8491: Chapter Amendment to law requiring freight trains in NY to have “two-person crews”. (Chapter 79)

4. A.8530: Chapter Amendment to law requiring public utilities to provide annual reports to the Public Service Commission about call center closures. (Chapter 81)

5. A.435-B: Requires that an action challenging redistricting must be brought in the counties of New York, Westchester, Albany or Erie. (Chapter 91)

**Passed in the State Budget:**

1. A.3102: Requires that stretch limousines be retired from service after 10 years or 350,000 miles. (Chapter 56)

2. A.9322: Extends authorization for school bus STOP Arm Cameras for 5-years and adds rebuttable presumptions. (Chapter 58)

**Passed in Assembly and Senate but Awaiting Action from Governor:**

1.A.9934: Amends the enabling legislation for the Syracuse STEAM School.

2. A.3120-A: Increases the maximum fine for passing a stopped school bus from \$1,000 to \$1,500.

3. A.7081-B: Reforming the enabling law of the CNY Regional Market Authority.

4. A.7657-A: Exempting SRAA from provisional hiring requirements of Civil Service Law.

5. A.8557: Requires the use of seat belts on charter buses.

6. A.9707-A: Authorizes the City of Syracuse to charge a hotel and occupancy use tax of 2%.

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**Outdoors for a Good Cause**



In June, Assemblyman Magnarelli attended an event for Scenic Hudson held at Sojourner NY State Park. With Assemblyman Magnarelli were: former Assemblyman, Peter Lopez; Assemblywoman Didi Barrett; Senate Majority Leader, Andrea Stewart-Cousins; and President of the NY League of Conservation Voters, Julie Tighe.

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**Important Community Dialogue**

Assemblyman Magnarelli was invited to a community dialogue on the interconnected topics of hunger, housing, and health facing constituents in Syracuse and Central New York on June 13th. The event, which took place at Living Water Church in Syracuse, was co-hosted by: the Syracuse-Onondaga Food Systems Alliance (SOFSA); the Housing & Homeless Coalition; CNY Fair Housing; Food Bank of Central New York; Jubilee Homes; Food Access Healthy Neighborhoods Now; and the Central New York Community Foundation.



## Dome Sweet Dome

On July 23rd, Assemblyman Magnarelli and New York State Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie held a press conference at the JMA Wireless Dome to announce a \$3 million investment from the state for the advancement of renovations to the Dome. Assemblyman Magnarelli and Speaker Heastie were joined by their Assembly colleagues, members of Syracuse University, including Men's and Women's team head coaches, and members of the media. The \$3 million will help Syracuse University complete renovations to the Dome, including to the seating, fire alarm system, new sprinkler systems, ADA compliant wheelchair platforms, railings and wheelchair spaces.



Pictured left to right are: Assemblyman Al Stirpe; Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli; Syracuse Head Football Coach Fran Brown; Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie; Syracuse Men's Basketball Coach Adrian Autry; Syracuse Men's Lacrosse Coach Gary Gait; and Syracuse Women's Basketball Coach Felicia Legette-Jack.

### About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood, Valley, Outer Comstock and Downtown areas of the City of Syracuse, the Syracuse University area, 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>.