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Friends,

What a month May was! Earlier this week, Texas held primary elections. I would like to applaud everyone that participated in the election especially all those who made it to the polls. There will be a runoff election on July 31st for those races that did not have a candidate prevail with enough of the votes.

The next legislative session will convene January 8, 2013. There is still a great deal of work to be done before my colleagues and I come together for the 83rd legislative session. I have heard from several of you on possible ways to improve our state and would love to hear any additional ideas anyone may have. Please e-mail my Chief of Staff at [Amanda.Jeffers@house.state.tx.us](mailto:Amanda.Jeffers@house.state.tx.us) with any suggestions you may have.

On May 17th, I made a trip to Austin for a Technology committee hearing. At the hearing we discussed human resource policies of state agencies that would integrate the implementation of social media to strengthen the state's workforce. We heard informative testimony about what outreach is already taking place and its impact on security risks when using these technologies. It is a very exciting time in our state as we take steps to responsibly modernize the way we do things.

## **Around the District**

I was honored to present resolutions honoring the retiring Garland City Council members Doug Athas, Larry Jeffus, and Laura Perkins Cox. These resolutions were signed by all the members of the Garland Texas House delegation. Thank you Council members Athas, Jeffus, and Perkins Cox for your long and distinguished service to the City of Garland.



Representative Cindy Burkett and I present a resolution honoring Doug Athas for his many years of service on the Garland City Council.

May has been an exciting month in the district. The Garland Chamber of Commerce held an excellent monthly luncheon featuring Texas Workforce Commission Chairman Tom Pauken. It was a pleasure to speak at the National Title I Distinguished Award Banner Presentation at Beaver Technology Center for Math & Science in GISD. Beaver was one of only two schools in Texas out of 5,000 Title I schools to receive this award. Additionally, it takes three years for a school in the United States to be eligible to receive this award and Beaver is only the second school in Texas history to receive this award twice in six consecutive years. I was happy to attend the swearing in ceremony for new Garland City Councilmen Tim Campbell and BJ Williams and wish them good luck in their new positions. I held my Neighborhoods and Multicultural roundtables this month. The 2012 DFW Dragon Boat, Kite, and Lantern Festival was a very exciting event. Gatherings like this are one of the many reasons this area is such a wonderful place to live and do business. Below are pictures from other events around the district.



I was honored to attend the Garland Armed Forces Day Celebration hosted by the Garland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the City of Garland at the Firewheel Mall. To my right is Garland City Councilman BJ Williams and to my left is Garland City Councilman Tim Campbell, behind us are members of the City of Garland Fire Department.



I was happy to attend the ribbon cutting of the new Extend Health call center in Richardson. This California based company will eventually bring 500 jobs to our area. From left to right are Richardson Mayor Pro Tem Laura Mackza, Representative Jerry Madden, Richardson Mayor Bob Townsend, Representative Button, Congressman Pete Sessions, and Bryce Williams of Extend Health.



Here I am with Congressman Sam Johnson to my left, to his left Richardson Police Chief Jimmy Spivey, and members of the Richardson Police Department at the 2012 Wildflower Festival in Richardson. This event pulls tens of thousands of people.



Here I am at the Farewell Reception for RISD Trustee Luke Davis. I was happy to present a resolution honoring him for his many years of service on the RISD School Board. To my left is Paula Davis, wife of Luke Davis, and to her left is Dr. Kay Waggoner, RISD Superintendent.

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative. Please let me know if I can ever be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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