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The State of Texas
House of Representatives



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Friends,

The March 1st primary is over and I am so honored for the opportunity to continue serving as your State Representative. I sincerely appreciate all of your support and I look forward to working with all of the constituents of HD 112.

On May 24th there will be a primary runoff election. Only races where no candidate received 50 percent of the vote on March 1st will be on this ballot.

The November general election is fast approaching. If you are not registered to vote, or if you need to make updates to your address, now is the time to do that. For more information, please visit <http://www.votetexas.gov/>.

Spring has finally arrived in North Texas. I am grateful for the warmer weather and the opportunity to spend more time outside around our amazing community.

Economic Development

When the House is not in session, the Speaker assigns each House Committee with Interim Charges which are research assignments the committee is to examine in preparation for the upcoming legislative session. The House Committee on Economic and Small Business Development, which I have the honor of chairing, held its first hearing January 7th. At this hearing, we discussed the implementation of the large reform bill I passed last session. HB 26 was designed to bring more transparency and accountability to our economic development incentive programs. Additionally, we discussed the diversification of our economy and ways to balance economic development in rural and urban communities.

The committee will be holding its second hearing on April 6th in Garland. We will be discussing local incentives at this hearing. If this is of interest to you, I would love for you to attend. Please

feel free to contact me at Angie.Button@house.texas.gov and I will be sure to notify you when the details of the hearing are determined.

Around the District

At the beginning of every year, the State of the Union address is given to discuss what happened to the country in the past year and where we can expect it to go in the following year. Cities follow this same formula and I was happy to be present for both the Richardson State of the City address given by Mayor Paul Voelker in January and the Garland State of the City address delivered by Mayor Doug Athas earlier this week. I was also pleased to be able to attend both the Garland Chamber's Annual Awards Banquet as well as the Sachse Chamber's Annual Banquet. I think it is very important to take time to recognize the time and effort put in by citizens of the community to help improve our cities.

In January, we celebrated New Year's Day and in February, I enjoyed celebrating the Lunar New Year with many of my friends. I was also honored to be invited to the NAACP's Annual Winter Ball where they honored members of the organization that contributed significantly to our community. I appreciated being invited to the Dallas Police Association's annual awards banquet earlier last month. I had a wonderful evening at the Duck Creek District Dinner recognizing the 2015 Eagle Scouts, Outstanding Unit Youth, and Outstanding Unit Scouters.



I enjoyed speaking to the bright students of Cooper Elementary School in Garland on their Career Day.



Celebrating the Lunar New Year with Congressman Sam Johnson at the Greater Dallas Taiwanese Chamber Event

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can ever be of assistance. I look forward to seeing you around House District 112.

Sincerely,

Angie Chen Button

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