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STATE REPRESENTATIVE ★ DISTRICT 137



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NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

It is an honor to represent you in the Texas House of Representatives. The 84th Legislative Session has begun and will end on Monday, June 1, 2015. For my second term, I will once again serve on the House Energy Resources Committee. I have also been appointed to serve on the House County Affairs Committee. In addition to my work in committee, I look forward to working with my colleagues on the budget, our state's infrastructure, and other major policy areas, like education, criminal justice, and health and human services.

To hear about these issues and more, please join me at our upcoming **Legislative Forum in District 137** on **Saturday, March 7th** (details below). I will discuss policy priorities, listen to concerns, and answer questions about the Texas Legislature and the current 84th Legislative Session.

Finally, in order to keep you informed, I will be sharing updates from the Capitol in periodic e-newsletters. In this issue, I wanted to share a few highlights from the first 23 days of session.

Sincerely,

Gene Wu

Legislative Forum

State Representative Gene Wu will discuss policy priorities, listen to concerns, and answer questions about the Texas Legislature and the current 84th Legislative Session.

Saturday, March 7, 2015

1:30pm - 3:30pm

Program starts at 2:00pm

Sharpstown Community Center
6600 Harbor Town
Houston, TX 77036

Please RSVP to District137.Wu@house.state.tx.us or 713-271-3900



Opening Day ceremonies in the Texas House on Tuesday, January 13th. Representative Wu is sworn in for his second term.



Pastor of the Day

The tradition of legislative prayer in the United States dates back to the founding of our nation. In Texas, we uphold this revered tradition through the Pastor of the Day program. Under this program, each member of the Texas Legislature is invited to sponsor a member of the clergy from his or her district to open the daily proceedings with a prayer.

On February 19th, we were honored to have Father Dan Lahart represent District 137 in the Texas House and serve as our Pastor of the Day by delivering the invocation.

Father Lahart is President of Strake Jesuit College Preparatory and began his tenure in 2001.

During the legislative session, there are many visitors at the Capitol. On CASA Day, Representative Wu met with community volunteers for Texas Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). Texas CASA volunteers help to give children in the foster care system hope for a better future and provide courts with necessary information to make well-informed decisions in child protective services cases. Texas CASA has been advocating for abused and neglected kids for more than 25 years.

