

HAVE YOU HURD? – WINTER 2023 IN REVIEW

First off, I want to say how deeply humbled and grateful I am for the opportunity to represent the 68th district in Madison. I am thankful and appreciative to all the wonderful people that have elected me. The Capitol is a building full of history and tradition, and I am enriched by its majesty every day I am in Madison.

January was a great first month! My family joined me in Madison during inauguration week to watch me be sworn in. I also met my new staffer Joshua Parr for the first time in person. On Tuesday the 10th of January we had our first caucus after the inauguration. My fellow legislators are outstanding people!

I was appointed to the Agriculture, Corrections, Energy and Utilities, Family Law, Rural Development committees as well as being appointed the Vice Chair of the Transportation committee. On Wednesday the 11th, I started taking meetings concerning those committees. We had our first floor session on January the 19th. My staffer Joshua had his first baby - daughter Arabella Grace - in the middle of January, so he had taken paternity leave. Rep. Summerfield was kind enough to lend me one of his staffers – Sam – to help me while Joshua was gone. Senator James, Rep. Rozar, and Rep. Summerfield – all a part of the 23rd Senate District - and their staff have been incredibly helpful in navigating and learning the job. On the 26th, Joshua and his family visited the Capitol, and I met his beautiful wife Danielle, and his precious daughter Arabella.

In February, we started informational committee hearings where we heard an account from the departments that are involved in those committees. Due to inflation, any more are hurting, and there are many more needs than before. I am working hard to help all of you in the district, others just like you throughout rural Wisconsin, and all Wisconsinites as a whole to grow, prosper, and thrive. However, I first need to gather as much information as I can. Joshua and I have met with many concerning energy, utility, rural development, agriculture, health care, transportation, day care, and so much more to glean as much knowledge as possible to best serve you all. While my top priorities right now are transportation, rural development, energy, broadband, and shared revenue, please feel free to reach out to me about any way I can best serve you. No issue is too small. You are all important to me, and your needs are important to me.



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On February 15th, Governor Evers gave his Biennial Budget Address. While we look forward to working together with Governor Evers to bring reliable broadband access to all Wisconsinites, there is much work on the budget to be done. ([My State Budget Response](#)).

Later this month through April, Senator James and I will be holding listening sessions in Lafayette, Withee, Fall Creek, Altoona, and Fairchild. Feel free to attend any and all of those meetings. I would love to meet and talk to as many of you as possible. ([Spring Events 2023](#)).

Again, thank you to all the people who voted me into office. I promise to serve all the people of the 68th district to the best of my ability!