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This week the Capitol was full of energy, as more constituent advocacy groups brought their heartfelt concerns to us -- their elected representatives. FSU and UCF students, collegiate NAACP chapters, Florida League of Cities, Mayors, Emergency Managers and many others flooded the halls and Senate offices.

FSU DAY

Wednesday was a really fun day as we celebrated FSU Day. The FSU Marching Chiefs played Seminole fight songs and the FSU circus performed stunts, providing an exciting background to the displays around the Capitol reminding us of the vital ways universities contribute to our communities. And the best part of the day was meeting the 2021 National Championship FSU Women's Soccer Team! Representative Tant and I joined with President McCullough to offer our congratulations and gratitude to these talented athletes for bringing the title back to FSU. No question that the Lady Noles are an inspiration to young (and not so young) women and girls everywhere!



Believe it or not, Representative Tant and I did not coordinate our FSU Day attire!



Solar Energy | Equality Florida | NAACP

On Tuesday, solar energy proponents wearing bright yellow shirts marched through the Capitol Courtyard below my window, demonstrating against proposed legislation that would increase the cost of solar power. I also met with Equality Florida, and a number of my LGBTQ+ constituents this week who shared their grave concerns about SB 1834. We are listening, and watching these bills very closely. On Thursday, I wore blue and gold in support of the NAACP's historic efforts to achieve racial equity in this country. I proudly stand with the NAACP and all those working to stamp out all forms of racism. We cannot let up in our journey to achieve our country's ideals of equality.



HIGHLIGHTS

We enjoyed visits from citizens representing credit unions, small towns, biotech firms, farm workers, the Boys and Girls Club, and dental hygienists. A great group of realtors from Leon, Franklin and Wakulla Counties came to the office, as well as my sisters from Delta Kappa Gamma!



After more than a decade in elected public service, I still learn something from every meeting. Every visit gives me perspective and information and helps me represent each of you better!

Gulf County Coastal Community Association

I love to be out in the district, where I can see and hear folks where they live, surrounded by what's important to them. Last Saturday I spoke at the Gulf County Coastal Community Association in Port St Joe. Gulf County is facing many issues as they continue to recover from Hurricane Michael, while facing tremendous growth. I heard about the need for new infrastructure and especially **WORKFORCE HOUSING**. Without attainable housing, so many communities are struggling to recruit the workers they need to fill the positions that sustain a community: teachers, law enforcement officers, corrections officers, construction workers, health care workers...their salaries are rising at a much lower rate than the housing costs. I really worry about what's going to happen to these communities unless we solve the housing problem.

We are now halfway through the 2022 Legislative Session. I continue to hear from so many of you on bills and policy priorities – I want you to know that I appreciate each and every phone call, email and letter. Keep them coming!

Sincerely,

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