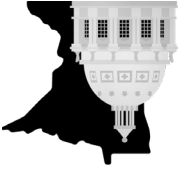


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Greetings from your
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
Ned Carroll

My first session in the Minnesota House of Representatives has come to an end and I am excited to share with you all the progress we made this year! It is an honor to represent Plymouth and Maple Grove here at the Capitol, and I thank you for trusting me with the opportunity to serve.

This session, we passed a budget that invests in our future and will make our state and district a better place for us all: Serving on the Capital Investment, Climate and Energy, Health, and Judiciary Committees, I was proud to advocate for the needs of our community. From local investments like passing \$7 million to improve the Chankahda Trail, addressing climate change, making health care more accessible and affordable, and investing in public safety, we stepped up and passed the bills Minnesotans were asking for when they elected a DFL Governor, House, and Senate.

The legislature is now in recess for the rest of the year, but our work is not over. I am looking forward to connecting with you in the community this legislative interim. Please reach out to my office if I can ever be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Ned Carroll
State Representative



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DISTRICT 42A

Education Funding

Our children are our future. That's why we made historic investments to stabilize education funding. In our school districts, Wayzata and Osseo schools will receive just under \$30 million in additional funding to ensure every student can graduate and succeed. Our budget also includes:

- Stabilizing future funding by indexing to inflation
- Increasing funding for special education and mental health resources
- Teacher retention and recruitment initiatives
- Free state college tuition for those making under \$80,000

Transportation and Infrastructure

- \$7 million to reconstruct and modernize the Chankahda Trail, including safety improvements
- Investments in updating aging roads and bridges
- Reducing carbon emissions from transportation

Climate and the Environment

- Setting a 100% carbon-free by 2040 energy goal
- Creating clean energy jobs and supporting solar
- Protecting pollinators through programs like Lawns2Legumes
- Banning harmful PFAS chemicals in products
- Preserving our parks and natural resources

Health Care Reform

- Protecting reproductive freedom
- Prescription Drug Affordability Board
- Capping insulin and epi-pen costs
- Combatting the opioid epidemic
- Mental health funding and a new 988 suicide and crisis line



Public Safety and the Judiciary

After years of gridlock, we passed common-sense gun violence prevention laws and a budget that ensures law enforcement and victims have the support they need, including:

- \$6.62 million in public safety aid for Plymouth and Maple Grove
- Responding to catalytic converter thefts
- Supporting victims and survivors
- Juvenile justice and rehabilitation reform
- Increasing pay for public defenders
- Red-flag laws and criminal background checks

Helping Families and Seniors

- Paid Family & Medical Leave
- Earned Safe & Sick Time
- Making child care more affordable
- Increased funding for nursing homes
- Support for first-time homeowners
- Legislative Task Force on Aging

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Tax Reductions

The recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic has not been felt equally, and our budget seeks to level the playing field. This session we worked to provide tax reductions to those in need, cutting taxes for workers, families, and seniors including:

- No taxes on Social Security for couples earning less than \$100,000
- Tax rebates of \$260 per family member
- Child tax credits to reduce childhood poverty
- Property tax reductions and renters refund increase