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Dear Community Leader,

I was honored to take my oath of office on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, and become a member of the Alaska House of Representatives. I am excited to serve residents of House District 2 during the 33rd legislature. **As a community leader in the district, you are an invaluable connection between what residents need and what happens in Juneau.** I rely on you to share local priorities, concerns, and ideas.

The House of Representatives organized last week and announced committee membership. I will be serving as a minority caucus member on the House Education Committee and the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee. I am excited to use my background as an educator and experience on the State Board of Education and Sitka Assembly in my committee work. Rest assured that I will also be keeping a close eye on the operating and capital budgets and advocating for priorities across our diverse district in all the legislation the House considers this session.

To advocate for your community effectively, I need to hear from you. Here are some suggestions for communication during the session and over the course of the 33rd legislature.

- Sign up for my electronic newsletter by [emailing](#) me, and please encourage your colleagues, friends and family to do the same. I hope to provide you with brief updates on a weekly basis during the session.
- Contact me with your ideas and thoughts on [legislation](#) and the [state budget](#), including bills and appropriations you'd like me to introduce, support or oppose.
- Enter your community capital budget requests into the [CAPSIS system](#) by the February 14, 2023, deadline.
- Monitor the [legislative calendar](#) and submit written testimony to [members of the committee](#) hearing the bill, or contact the [Juneau Legislative Information Office](#) or the [legislative information office in your community](#) to give verbal testimony on issues you care about.
- Let me know how [Executive branch agencies](#) are working to deliver services in your community.
- If an individual or organization in your community has accomplished something exceptional – a local team wins a state championship, a public safety official saves a life, or a local Tribal artist has a national exhibition – share the good news with me, so we can recognize their achievements.
- Call and visit me at my office in Juneau, or [contact my staff](#) to schedule a remote meeting.
- Invite me to important events in your community. I am committed to at least one in-person visit annually to each of the 15 communities in the district. Most of my travel will be when the legislature is out of session. If there is a specific time that would be good for me to visit you, please let me know.

Given the state's fiscal situation and the realities of divided government, I realize that this will likely be a difficult legislative session. However, I am ready for the challenge, and I am excited to work for you and all the residents of House District 2 as your new representative in the House. Please stay in touch! [Email](#) is a great way to reach me. Please be sure to copy my [staff](#) on your messages to ensure that we track your request and that you get a response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Himschoot".

Representative Rebecca Himschoot
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