August 2025 Newsletter

A message from my desk, to yours.

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Straight From THE CAPITOL



Session may be in recess, but the work does not stop. **Team Caloza is stepping off the floor to work on the ground in AD 52** - connecting with community leaders, attending local events, and listening to our constituents - **to bring back your insights to the policymaking table.**

Team Caloza is turning ideas into action!

In service, Julia M. Caloga

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Eagle Rock
Summer Concerts
in the Park



When? Sun, Aug 10th 6:00-8:30 PM Where? Eagle Rock Recreation Center

VOLUNTEER

East LA

Community Conversation:
Exide Cleanup Update



When?
Fri, Aug 8th
4:00 - 5:30 PM
Where?
Salazar Park

AB 553 Signed into Law

CAPITOL CORNER



On July 15th, **Governor Gavin Newsom** signed Assembly Bill 553 into law—our first bill to pass in the California State Legislature!

Our bill will provide permanent hot food access to CalFresh recipients and families during disasters and public health emergencies.

Every Californian deserves the dignity of knowing they can feed their families. Thank you to all our partners: **Hunger Action LA, End Child Poverty LA, California Food Banks**, and thank you to Governor Newsom for signing AB 553!

Read more about the news **here** and find the fact sheet for AB 553 **here**.

DISTRICT DIGEST



Film & Tax Credit Budget Win

On July 2nd, I proudly joined Governor Gavin Newsom and my colleagues in expanding our film and TV tax credit from \$330M to \$750M.

California is the backbone of our film and TV industry—it fuels small businesses and our economy. This is more than a tax credit, it's a safety net for good paying jobs that support every day working class people.











44th Annual Lotus Festival

On July 13th, I **celebrated culture, community, and diversity at the 44th Annual Lotus Festival** in Echo Park, the heart of LA.

As a proud immigrant, it's an honor to uplift our AAPI communities—this year we celebrated the beautiful country of Korea. Thank you to all the staff at LA City Parks, organizers, and volunteers for your dedication and for bringing our community together.







Celebrating Father Peter Rogers

I had the honor of presenting a resolution celebrating Father Peter Rogers' retirement from St. Dominic's Catholic Church in Eagle Rock.

He has been a pillar of faith and community in AD52, guiding countless families, including mine, with compassion, wisdom, and grace. Thank you for your decades of service, Father Peter!



FROM THE FLOOR

I'm honored to announce my appointment as **Chair of the Select Committee on Asia/California Trade & Investment**, as well as my membership to 4 important select committees:

- Wildfire Prevention
- Climate Innovation & Infrastructure
- Sea Level Rise & the CA Economy
- Native American Affairs

Thank you Speaker Rivas for your trust to lead on these important issues affecting California!

Read more about my committees here.

NEW SERIES ALERT: #TINYMICTALKS

On Episode 1 of #TinyMicTalks, I spoke to Susie Pryor of the CA Small Business Development Center and Jennifer Fearing of CalNonprofits about the latest on our bill AB 265 - The Small Business & Nonprofit Recovery Act and how you can help get our bill across the finish line and to the Governor's desk.





RESOURCE ROUND-UP

Business Virtual Know Your Rights Workshop

Calling all small business owners!

Join us for a **virtual Know Your Rights workshop on Wednesday, August 6th** with our friends at Public Counsel. Hear from legal experts, and learn how to protect your business and employees.

RSVP here.

BUILDING A BETTER AD52





Volunteer for any of these Summer events happening in District 52 and join #TeamCaloza's table!

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER

READY, SET, VOLUNTEER!

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HUMANS OF #AD52 INTERN SPOTLIGHT









On July 31st, we celebrated

Behind every thriving team is a strong backbone - and for #TeamCaloza, that's our interns. I'm so proud to spotlight our four passionate summer interns working from #AD52 all the way to the Sacramento Capitol.

Thank you Michael, Dani, Sherry, and Paolo for your work! We couldn't do it without you.

