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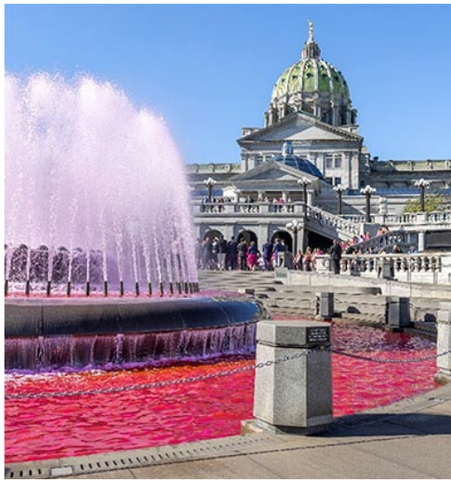


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October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



By Senator Lisa Boscola

HARRISBURG - October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual public health campaign dedicated to raising awareness and supporting research into the causes, prevention, early detection, treatment and, ultimately, a cure for breast cancer.

Breast cancer affects 1 in 8 women in the United States, which means nearly all of us know someone—a mother, daughter, sister, friend or colleague—whose life has been touched by this disease.

Throughout October, you'll likely see a lot of information about breast cancer, and that's a good thing. Breast Cancer Awareness Month helps shine an important light on the value of regular mammograms, self-exams and early detection, while also helping drive much-needed research. Today, there are currently more than 4 million breast cancer survivors in the United States—a powerful reminder of the progress that has been made and the hope that research continues to provide.

In this edition of the Boscola Bulletin, I'm sharing information that I hope will be helpful to you or someone you know. Please take a moment to learn more, share this information with others and, most importantly, make your health a priority.

DASACC Recognized During Domestic Violence Awareness Month



By

(White Township, NJ – October 14, 2026) Domestic violence can affect anyone regardless of age, race, background or circumstance, leading the Warren County Board of County Commissioners to declare October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and highlight the mission of the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County.

"When someone is in such a difficult situation, second-guessing their decisions, it's amazing to have such a wonderful team to help people through what is probably one of the worst times of their lives," said Commissioner Director Lori Ciesla.

This annual proclamation emphasizes the New Jersey Legislature's 1991 findings that declared domestic violence a serious crime against society, urging residents to work together to raise awareness and support those who have been victimized.

"Behind every statistic is an individual, a family member and a community impacted by domestic violence, and that's why DASSAC is so important, because they are a place to seek help and shelter," noted Commissioner James R. Kern III, adding that "as a governing body, everything needs to be done to support the work of DASACC and shine a light on these situations."

Survivors of domestic violence may face physical harm, emotional trauma, and significant challenges in accessing safety, support, and services, and deserve practical

Flood Introduces Legislation to Protect Taxpayers from Sudden County Property Tax Increases



By State Rep. Ann Flood

HARRISBURG – Rep. Ann Flood (R-Northampton) is introducing two bills as part of a six-bill legislative package aimed at making property taxes more predictable and strengthening protections for Pennsylvania taxpayers.

Flood is introducing one bill to limit annual county property tax rate increases and a second that would close loopholes allowing school districts to avoid voter approval requirements for major borrowing.

"Counties shouldn't be able to kick the can down the road with years of zero property tax increases and then a sudden 43.5% increase like was just proposed in Northampton County, or Allegheny County's 36% increase in 2025, or Dauphin County's 21.8% increase in 2025," said Flood. "It's bad government, and my legislation will bring some much-needed predictability and accountability to county budgeting while giving taxpayers the final say when officials want to raise taxes beyond a reasonable limit."

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