



## BRINGING CHANGE TO ALBANY

### **Timothy M. Kennedy Bio Erie County Legislator, 2<sup>nd</sup> District**

Tim Kennedy was appointed to the Erie County Legislature to represent the Second District in December 2004 and successfully won reelection in November 2005 and 2007. Throughout his first two terms in County Hall, Tim Kennedy has distinguished himself as one of the most accomplished and finest leaders in county government.

Tim entered his role as legislator during what was Erie County government's lowest point. As a freshman legislator, Tim was cast into Erie County's fiscal crisis where his life education and experiences would navigate him to make necessary vital decisions to advance this region toward prosperity. His first months were a true testament to his leadership and ability to justly represent the residents of the Second District and Erie County as a whole.

As a legislator, Tim has played a part in many different committees, including his current roles as Chairman of Economic Development, a senior member of the Public Safety Committee, and as a member of the Community Enrichment Committee.

During his tenure as a county lawmaker, Tim has advocated for many issues encompassing economic development, public safety, and fiscal accountability. He has championed issues that include waterfront development, NYPA \$279 million settlement, the worker-training apprenticeship law, the removal of the I-190 toll-barriers, industrial development agency reform, framework for regional growth, the Regional Planning Board, securing funding to renovate School #84, and initiating the \$2.5 million South Park Avenue and \$700,000 Tiffit Street redevelopment projects. Kennedy successfully advocated for the \$9 million Holy Family Elementary School Senior Housing reconstruction, which will be under way in April 2010, along with playing a lead role in making the multi-million dollar Dingens Street drainage project in the town of Cheektowaga a reality.

Tim has focused on Public Safety issues such as reinvesting into the county's 9-1-1 emergency system, protection against sex offenders, keeping St. Joseph Hospital open, leading the fight to ban text messaging while driving in Erie County and NY State, supporting the County's Stop DWI program, increasing the number of probation officers and sheriff's deputies, and reestablishing Primetime funds for community center youth programs.

Perhaps his greatest accomplishment is the passion and fresh ideas Tim brings to his position, working hard every day to ensure Erie County continues to work toward fiscal prosperity. His efforts in this capacity include county charter revisions, sharing sales tax revenue with municipalities, cost saving-environmental friendly legislation, challenging flawed fiscal policies, eliminating waste and patronage from budget, and much more.

*Tim Kennedy* for N.Y. State Senator



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Tim is a lifelong resident of South Buffalo, where he and his family currently reside. He is a 1999 graduate of D'Youville College, where he received his Bachelor's and Master's of Science Degree in Occupational Therapy.

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