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## **REP. ANDREWS CALLS FOR BUDGET AND POLICY INPUT AND ANNOUNCES 2012 NQ DISTRICT OFFICE OPENING**

Athol, Sidewalk of Main and Exchange Street, 3pm – Second Franklin State Representative Denise Andrews gathered today to share near term direction of her office and to make an announcement.

Representative Andrews shared with individuals that gathered that as we enter into 2012, she is:

1. Seeking engagement and input on the 2013 budget priorities
2. Seeking engagement and input on bills to support and act on this session, and
3. Announced her plans to open a District Office in the North Quabbin Region in 2012.

For additional background and perspective: The Governor's Budget Recommendation (H1) has been release and currently the house and senate are preparing their budget recommendations. You can view the H1 budget at [www.mass.gov/budget/governor](http://www.mass.gov/budget/governor).

Representative Andrews commented, "Last year's valuable engagement from many in the Second Franklin District influenced funding in adult day care, local hospital funding, veterans services, education, local aid, early childhood intervention, improved fiscal oversight and a host of other critical areas. I need and look forward to again hearing and understanding what together you believe is critical to highlight and fund for 2012."

Please submit your perspective on 2012 budget priorities to Representative Andrews by mailing your comments by February 28<sup>th</sup> to Representative Denise Andrews, State House, Room 443, Boston, MA 02133-1054 or by calling 1.617.722.2460.

"As we move into the final months of the formal sessions where the house will be prioritizing and acting on bills it again is important to hear from you on what is most critical to you and the Second Franklin. We have numerous bills that should and can be acted on by session close if we all make this a priority and together share our opinions. Your voices on what are the most critical bills to act on this session is needed", Andrews shared.

Please submit your perspective on bill priorities to Representative Andrews by mailing your comments by March 1st to Representative Denise Andrews, State House, Room 443, Boston MA 02133-1054 or by calling 1.617.722.2460.

“Finally, I want to announce that I am seeking space to open a District Office in 2012. I have a vision of how an innovative space could be of benefit on many levels to our citizens and the area. If you have space or interest in learning more about this project please contact me.”-Rep. Andrews. Again, please mail your comments by April 2nd to Representative Denise Andrews, State House, Room 443, Boston MA 02133-1054 or by calling 1.617.722.2460.

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