



EXECUTIVE UPDATE

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HBADE Members,

Happy July 1 to all Delawareans who celebrate! We have made it over the finish line for the 2024 legislative session and the 152nd General Assembly.

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

This legislative session brought affordable housing into focus and to the forefront of many elected officials' agendas. We appreciate the efforts of Senator Russ Huxtable to introduce a package of housing legislation, taking aim at making ADUs more prevalent and workforce housing more abundant. We are looking forward to our opportunities to be part of these discussions as they move forward.

In addition to Senator Huxtable's housing agenda, we were pleased to support Representative Johnson's HB 442, establishing the Affordable Housing Production Task Force. HBADE President Mike Riemann will have a seat at the table and we look forward to having strong representation when these meetings begin this summer.

WHAT'S COMING UP

The 153rd General Assembly will look vastly different. All Representatives are up for re-election this fall and it is a certainty that some districts will have new representation. We are seeing several others vacate their seats due to retirement or entering a different race. Additionally, after this election cycle, Delaware will have a new Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senator to replace Senator Tom Carper, Congressman/woman, and New Castle County Executive. We have a lot to watch this fall! It is important that HBADE members stay engaged in the legislative process. Be sure you are registered to vote by October 12 to participate in the general election.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Associates Council Mixer on July 11**
 - *Wilmington Brew Works - register on the calendar at hbade.org*
- **Safety Town Educational Event in September**
 - *Hosted by Chesapeake Utilities - more info to come soon!*

We can't wait to see you soon!

Katie Gillis