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Dear Editor,

The 34th Annual Senior Conference, held on Thursday, April 24th at Hudson High School was a great success, with a turnout of over 400 seniors from each of the fourteen communities in the Middlesex and Worcester district. I want to thank all of the seniors who attended this year's conference, giving me a chance to learn more about their concerns and how state government can better serve them.

The Senior Conference featured a variety of interactive workshops and information tables that covered topics such as health care, financial planning, yoga, Zumba, nutrition, independent living and more, as well as exhibitors from local businesses, non-profits, the Attorney General's office, the Treasurer's office, as well as the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT) and the Department of Telecommunications & Cable (DTC).

All of these workshops and exhibits were free for seniors, thanks to the generous support of our corporate sponsors, without whom this event would not have been possible. Major sponsors of the event included: Durand and Anastas Strategies, IBM, Intel, Avidia Bank, Ken's Foods, New Horizons, Tufts Health Plan, Quest Diagnostics, E.L. Harvey & Sons, Marlborough Savings Bank, Conservation Service Group, Fallon Community Health Plan, Massachusetts Credit Union League, Inc., and the Bose Corporation.

I would also like to give a special thanks to Hudson High School for their generosity and assistance in making this day possible through the use of their building, staff and student volunteers. In addition, I want to thank Secretary of State Bill Galvin, State Treasurer Steven Grossman, State Auditor Suzanne Bump, Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, Secretary of the Executive Office of Elder Affairs Ann Hartstein, Senator Harriette Chandler, Representative Kate Hogan, and Representative Danielle Gregoire for attending the conference.

I am proud to continue this annual tradition, and encourage attendees to be in touch with my office if they have ideas on programming for next year's Senior Conference. Finally, I want to offer my deep appreciation to my District Director, Danilo Sena, for the months of work that he put into organizing the Senior Conference.

Sincerely,

Jamie Eldridge

State Senator

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