

Dear Friend,

On January 3, 2011 I had the privilege of being sworn in to my third term in the Ohio Legislature. This privilege is due to the hard work and generous contributions of the many of you who supported my campaign. It is also a result of the faith that many of you in the 73rd House district exhibited by voting for me in November.

I am honored by the trust placed in me and will work diligently over the next two years to be a good public servant. Please continue to keep in touch with me so that I truly represent you and so that I am aware of your interests, concerns and needs.

In this newsletter, I have included information on a wonderful opportunity that I had representing the State of Ohio on a visit to Israel funded by The American Jewish Committee. I also have included information on the Peace and Non-Violence Pledge sponsored by Cleveland's Peace and Non-Violence Coalition. I encourage you to read about this effort and to sign the pledge. In light of recent events in Arizona, we all need to take a stand against the violence that has crept into our culture.

Sincerely,

Jay Goyal, Ohio House of Representatives



Swearing in Ceremony January 3, 2011

Rep. Goyal Travels to Israel with American Jewish Committee

Rep. Goyal was chosen by <u>Project Interchange</u> of the <u>American Jewish Committee</u> to be among a group of current and emerging leaders from the United States to participate in a series of educational

seminars in Israel. The trip was funded by Project Interchange which is a not for profit organization whose goal is to create a deeper understanding of Israel while developing new ideas and networks throughout the world.

During the trip, Rep. Goyal had the opportunity to meet with the U.S. Embassy staff in Tel Aviv and to tour Israel's northern border with Lebanon accompanied by the Israel Defense Forces. He also met with the Deputy Foreign Minister Danny Ayalon and toured the West Bank.



Rep. Goyal with member of Israel Defense service

on Israel-Lebanon border

Many of the seminars focused on economics and included a meeting with a leading Israeli venture capitalist, Jonathon Medved and a tour of the successful electric car company, A Better Place.

The American Jewish Committee seminars are geared toward leaders and opinion makers from across the globe and various segments of society. The more than 5,000 alumni include members of Parliament, political advisors, print and broadcast journalists, clergy, diplomats, civic and policy leaders, academics, and youth organizers. Each year, The American Jewish Committee invites approximately 300 current and emerging leaders from the U.S. and around the world to participate in educational seminars in Israel. The educational goals are nonpartisan and apolitical—they believe that Israel's achievements, diversity, aspirations and challenges require no intermediary, and are best conveyed by Israeli policymakers, journalists, and governmental officials themselves. The seminars are challenging and promote dialogue, offering multiple perspectives on complex issues. To this end, groups also meet with Israeli Arabs and Palestinians.

Peace and Non-Violence Pledge

Rep. Goyal is encouraging all friends and supporters to rededicate themselves to spreading non-violence and peace throughout the state and the country. This is especially relevant in light of the tragic occurrence in Arizona. Cleveland has set an example by participating in the national effort to be designated as a City of Peace and Non-Violence.

You can join in this effort by taking the <u>Peace and Nonviolence Pledge</u>. Just click on this link to sign the cyber wall pledging to treat everyone as you would like to be treated.

Rep. Goyal Honored by Engineers

The Ohio Society of Professional Engineers honored Rep. Goyal with their Legislator of the Year Award. This award is presented to a legislator who has worked to advance the interests of professional engineers. This fifty year old organization works to promote the practice of

engineering and to encourage the development of new engineers in the state.

With a degree in industrial engineering from Northwestern University, Rep. Goyal is the only engineer in the Ohio Legislature.

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