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Friend,

Obviously, 2020 has been a year like no other. But all was not lost. Despite wrestling with the effects of COVID-19 and the subsequent economic fallout, my team and I were able to get some big things accomplished.

**Together, we got 5 meaningful bills signed into law by the Governor last week!**

**I am super proud of my bill AB 2542, the California Racial Justice Act, which is now the law of our great state.** Anyone in our criminal justice system can now challenge any unfair treatment based on race that leads to enhanced charges, convictions or sentencing. With my law, California becomes the first state in the nation to truly grapple with systemic racism in our criminal justice system in a way that doesn't undermine public safety.

**My other bills that the Governor signed are:**

**AB 1947:** Help for workers who suffer from workplace retaliation.

**AB 2118:** Forcing health insurance companies to provide more transparent cost reporting to help control rising healthcare costs.

**AB 2231:** Requiring that public works projects pay their workers prevailing wages if they receive substantial public subsidies.

**AB 2588:** Ensuring our hard working nurses and other front-line healthcare professionals are provided free employer-mandated training.

Of course, you may have noticed, 2020 is also an election year so I am turning to you for help.

**Your generous financial support will allow me to communicate with my constituents the important work we have accomplished. It also helps ensure that I will be there fighting for our shared values in the next Legislative session.**

Your contribution to our efforts means a great deal to me. Thank you in advance for your support.



Ash Kalra

Assemblymember, AD 27



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