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## Inner Core Committee 2020 Legislative Breakfast

Wednesday, October 21st, 2020

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM



### Representative Christine Barber

Christine P. Barber is State Representative for the 34th Middlesex District, which includes Somerville and Medford.

Before being elected, Representative Barber was a health policy analyst for a national health care advocacy organization, where she worked to ensure access to quality, affordable health care. Representative Barber previously served as research analyst in the House of Representatives, drafting legislation including Massachusetts's landmark 2006 health care law, which has provided coverage to hundreds of thousands of Massachusetts's residents.

Representative Barber is Co-Chair of the Women's Caucus Task Force on Justice-Involved Women, and was recently named to the Massachusetts Autism Commission. In addition, Representative Barber is on the Advisory Board of Emerge Massachusetts and serves on the Somerville Democratic City Committee. She serves as Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Financial Services and is a member of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing and Joint Committee on Housing. Rep. Barber is a graduate of College of the Holy Cross where she earned her BA and University of Massachusetts, Amherst where she earned her MPPA.



### Senator Sal DiDomenico

Senator Sal DiDomenico represents the Middlesex and Suffolk district which includes the communities of Everett, Chelsea, Charlestown, as well as parts of Allston-Brighton, Cambridge, and the West End of Boston.

Senator DiDomenico currently serves as Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs. He also serves as a member of the Joint Committee on Education, the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, and the Senate Committee on Steering and Policy.

Prior to his election to the State Senate, Sal began his work in public service by holding four terms as an Everett City Councilor and serving as President of the Everett City Council, as well as acting as Chief of Staff to former State Senator Anthony Galluccio. Before entering state government, he spent twelve years working in the hospitality industry at Sonesta International Hotels and Marriot International. Senator DiDomenico is a graduate of Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School and earned his B.A. in Business Administration from Boston College.



## **Representative Kevin Honan**

Kevin Honan Honan is State Representative for the 17th Suffolk district which includes Allston-Brighton.

Prior to representing Allston-Brighton in the legislature, Representative Honan served his community by coordinating Summer Youth Employment Programs in Boston and working at ABCD educating low-income and elderly residents on weatherization and fuel assistance programs.

He currently serves as Chair of the Joint Committee on Housing and has previously served as Chair of the Boston Delegation in addition to other leadership roles in the House.



## **Representative Jon Santiago**

Jon Santiago is State Representative for the 9th Suffolk district which includes the South End neighborhood of Boston and parts of Boston's Roxbury, Back Bay and Fenway neighborhoods.

Prior to serving in the House, he served as a volunteer community health specialist to the Peace Corps in the Dominican Republic and earned a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Paris. Since 2013, Santiago is a captain in the US Army Reserve. Representative Santiago continues to serve as an attending physician in emergency medicine for the Boston Medical Center.

He serves on the Joint Committee on Health Care Financing, Joint Committee on Public Health, Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs and the House Committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling and is a member of the House COVID-19 Working Group. He is a member of the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus. In addition, Representative Santiago sits on the boards of the South End Community Health Center, Friends of the South End Library, Friends of Titus Sparrow Spark, and the Puerto Rican Veterans Park.