



Press Packet

Senator

MICHAEL O. MOORE

Second Worcester District

Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) was elected to represent the people of the Second Worcester District in the Massachusetts Senate in November 2008, earning 60% of the vote. Senator Moore represents the Towns of Auburn, Grafton, Leicester, Millbury, Shrewsbury, and Upton, as well as Wards 5-8 in the City of Worcester.

Born and raised in Millbury, Senator Moore has devoted his entire adult life to public service. A former police officer, environmental investigator, and town selectmen, Senator Moore has an accomplished record of giving back to his community.

A graduate of the Waltham Police Academy, Senator Moore began his 18-year law enforcement career as an Environmental Police officer working for the Department of Environmental Police, eventually becoming an investigator in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. He holds a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice from Western New England College.

Elected to the Millbury Board of Selectmen in 2001, Senator Moore served three terms improving the quality of life in the town where he grew up. In 2004, during his tenure on the Board, The Shoppes at Blackstone Valley – the largest economic development project in Millbury history - opened, expanding the town's commercial tax base by approximately \$1 million annually. He was overwhelmingly re-elected to the Board of Selectmen in 2004 and 2007.

In 2005, he was appointed Assistant Deputy Superintendent at the Worcester County Sheriff's office, where he oversaw the Community Service Program, inmate reintegration program, and Senior Citizen community outreach safety programs. Under his leadership, the Sheriff's Office created the Worcester County TRIAD senior citizen program, working to identify and address senior citizen safety concerns in individual towns throughout the county with programs that include house numbering, 911 Cell Phone Bank, Beacon of Light, File for Life, and many more. Senator Moore was also responsible for development of the Area Law Enforcement Response Transmission (ALERT) program, which sends a daily email out to law enforcement officials on recently released inmates, and the Responsible Fatherhood Initiative, a Department of Revenue sponsored program that confirms parenthood of inmates to reduce welfare fraud. The Community Service Program saved Worcester County cities and towns over \$3.8 million in labor costs under his leadership.

Since being elected to the Senate, Mike has worked hard for the residents of the district, fighting the Governor's efforts to close the Glavin Center in Shrewsbury, filing legislation to protect nurses and other health care workers from assault, securing funding for various area transportation projects, amongst other efforts. Immediately upon taking office, Senator Moore declined to take a pay raise given to members of the legislature, believing it irresponsible to accept a raise for a job he had not yet begun, especially given the dire budget situation facing the state.

Senator Moore is the Chair of the Joint Committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, overseeing legislation that will protect the Commonwealth's small and family-owned businesses. Senator Moore also serves as Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Elder Affairs, and sits on the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture; the Senate Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures, and State Assets; and the Senate Committee on Post Audit and Oversight.

Senator Moore lives in Millbury with his wife, Ellyn Lazar-Moore, who is an Assistant District Attorney in Worcester County. Mike and Ellyn have two children, ages 7 and 5.

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Leadership Positions and Awards

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

CHAIR, Joint Committee on Community Development and Small Business
VICE CHAIR, Joint Committee on Elder Affairs
Senate Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures, and State Assets
Senate Committee on Post Audit and Oversight
Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources, and Agriculture

LEGISLATIVE CAUCUSES

Biotechnology Caucus
Regional Transit Authorities Caucus
Parks Caucus

AWARDS & HONORS

2009 Freshman Legislator of the Year – Massachusetts Nurses Association
2008 Nick Manzello's Galaxy of Stars Award
2005 Democrat of the Year Award, Democratic State Committee
2005 Leo P. Bachant Democrat of the Year Award, Millbury Democratic Town Committee
1994 Officer of the Year Award, Environmental Police Officer's Association

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Millbury Bicentennial Committee
Millbury Democratic Town Committee

EDUCATION

Millbury High School, 1981
Western New England College, Bachelor of Science In Law Enforcement, 1995
Western New England College, Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration, 1996