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Rep. Felipe Begins First Term

HARTFORD — **State Representative Antonio Felipe, D – Bridgeport**, took his oath of office Monday morning to official start his first term in office to serve the constituents of the 130th Assembly District in Bridgeport.

Rep. Felipe picked up the district after winning Bridgeport’s special election to take the vacant seat of the late Ezequiel Santiago, who died suddenly in March. Currently, he has been appointed to the legislature’s Appropriations Committee, which is currently deliberating over the state budget.

“I couldn’t be prouder to represent the 130th Assembly District, and I want to do Bridgeport residents proud. Every day, I will advocate for working families in Bridgeport to create a better quality of life for them,” said **Rep. Felipe**. “The loss of Ezequiel Santiago shattered through the Bridgeport community, and everyone felt it. I’m honored to be his successor.”

Before announcing his election bid, **Rep. Felipe** worked behind-the-scenes on campaigns for several years, and garnered the support from Bridgeport Mayor Joe Ganim and former mayor Bill Finch.

Rep. Felipe is committed to promoting policies that will drive economic growth, provide property tax relief, protect seniors, and expanding access and security to affordable healthcare.

As a former student who grew up in Bridgeport's education system, **Rep. Felipe** understands the importance of investing in pre-k programs and safeguarding the right to quality public education programs for all pupils.

He is also supports a greener future and understands incentivizing the use of green and renewable technologies is critical to limiting harmful emissions in to the air and sea.

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