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Representative Michael Lawler

Congressional districts have representatives, which are either congresswoman or congressman elected to serve the people. They play an important role for a two year term, in which they introduce bills, resolutions, offer amendments and serve on committees. For Rockland-Westchester 17th Congressional District Mr. Michael Lawler has been elected. A Republican Congressman who has the vision to address the issues that matter to New Yorkers. Michael Lawler plays a fundamental role in representing the interest of the Rockand-Westchester District and legislation.

Assemblyman Michael Lawler won over Representative Sean Patrick Maloney as the new Rockland-Westchester 17th District in the general election. Michael Lawler serves on the House Financial Services Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee (Lawler, n.d.). Michael V. Lawler stated in his welcome letter, “my number one priority will always be serving the people of New York’s 17th District and putting forth real solutions for Hudson Valley families” (Lawler, n.d.). Such identified issues to be addressed by congressmen are crime, economy, abortion, and challenges being faced. Crime being one main issue, Lawler plans to end cashless bail and give judges power to make decisions based on dangerous standards (Post Editorial Board, 2022). Concerning the economy he plans to advocate against policies that cause negative impacts within citizens.

While researching, I was shocked at how communities being served target representatives. Michael Lawler and his family have faced challenges due to the Republican's support for pro-life. Concerning the issue of abortion, Congressman stated that he will always advocate for life causing the anger of the public. As well it is important to note that he did confirm to refusing on accepting a national ban on abortion (Lawler, 2022). Due to his supporting the right to an abortion in a given case of rape, incest and the mother's life. While firmly stating that he doesn't agree with New York's radical abortion laws (Lawler, 2022). Personally, I have been shocked by the reaction of the public to those opposing target representatives' families.

It is important to note that in the State Assembly, he passed more bills than any other member of his conference, a testament to his bipartisan, pragmatic approach to government (US Representative Michael Lawler, n.d.) Due to his influence in legislation, Lawler recently introduced legislation, Salt Marriage Penalty Elimination Act which was introduced on January 12, 2023. The bill is currently in the first stage of the legislation process, which has been referred to committees which will debate. Michael Lawler seeks to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty in the limitation on the amount individuals can deduct for certain State and Local taxes (Lawler et al., 2023).

Congressman, Michael Lawler is a great example of addressing issues to best benefit the people of a specific district. He is serving the needs of the people, while being responsible for his duties concerning legislation. As the Representative of the District of Rockland- Westchester, I personally believe he is seeking to make improvements. As well, I have understood the challenges that often families and representatives are

challenged with, when having different opinions from the public. As the public support plays a fundamental role in legislation.

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