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Legislator Spencer Joins Panel to Discuss Housing Opportunities in Huntington

Huntington, NY - In an effort to continue the necessary conversation on the need for affordable rental housing, the Huntington Township Housing Coalition and League of Women Voters of Huntington co-sponsored the Huntington Community Summit on Rental Housing this past Saturday morning.

Legislator Spencer was honored to participate in one of the three workshops where the discussion was focused on the impediments to affordable rental housing. "The construction of rental housing is faced with multiple roadblocks, mainly being the lack of infrastructure and the perception of the negative impact, in terms of taxes, quality of life and property value; it will have on the surrounding community. Where there is opportunity for rental housing, we have to look to the many successful models that have generated minimal impacts on school taxes and have added to quality of life and property values, because they do exist. We can build to keep our young people and professionals on Long Island while maintaining the quality of life we have all grown to love," stated Legislator William R. Spencer.

In addition, the Legislator also commented on the need for Suffolk County to work with the private sector to expand access to sewer systems that will enable development while protecting our aquifer. The event attracted over 100 attendees.

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