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Yolonda Morris STATE REPRESENTATIVE 9th DISTRICT

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## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement

At Illinois State Representative 9th District Office, we are committed to fostering a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion. We believe that every individual, regardless of their background or identity, deserves equal opportunities and fair treatment.

We value diversity in all its forms, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, ability, and socio-economic status. We recognize that diversity enriches our perspectives, strengthens our decision-making processes, and ultimately leads to better outcomes for the people we serve.

We are dedicated to promoting equity by actively identifying and addressing systemic barriers that disproportionately impact marginalized communities. We strive to ensure fair access to resources, opportunities, and representation, so that everyone has an equal chance to succeed and thrive.

Inclusion is integral to our work. We are committed to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment where all individuals feel respected, valued, and heard. We actively seek input from diverse voices and perspectives, and we embrace constructive dialogue to foster understanding and collaboration.

We pledge to continuously educate ourselves and our staff on issues related to diversity, equity, and inclusion, and to implement policies and practices that promote fairness and justice. We will hold ourselves accountable for creating positive change and addressing any instances of discrimination or inequality.

By embracing diversity, promoting equity, and fostering inclusion, we strive to build a community that celebrates our differences and works together towards a more just and inclusive society.

Yolonda Morris Illinois' 9<sup>th</sup> District State Representative