### Empathy in Action: Supportive Housing for Mental Health and Substance Use Conditions
- Supportive Housing First policies expedite permanent housing for mental health and substance use challenges.
- Approach integrates treatment with a secure safety net.
- Access to safe and affordable housing without mandatory treatment, unless meeting civil commitment criteria.
- Empowers individuals to seek help on their terms, securing fundamental right to safe housing.

### Innovative Healthcare Access: Institutionalizing Telehealth in Healthcare Services
- Telehealth is essential, especially for rural areas, the elderly, and those with disabilities or in-home care needs.
- Modernizing healthcare delivery requires making telehealth a permanent and vital aspect of the system.

### Empower Recovery: Integration of Peer Support in Connecticut's Mental Health Workforce
- Peer support is evidence-based and crucial for comprehensive care.
- Initiative focuses on integrating certified individuals with firsthand experience.
- Inclusion in both clinical and non-clinical settings.
- Prioritizing the initiative expedites individuals' paths to recovery.

### Upholding Equitable Healthcare Access: Enforce Mental Health and Substance Use Parity in Private Insurance
- Urgent need for action on current health care access disparities.
- Stronger enforcement of compliance with existing legislation.
- Hold health carriers accountable for non-compliance.
- Addressing the issue in 2024 ensures fair access to mental health and substance use services for everyone.

### Sustaining Mental Health Crisis Support: Securing Long-Term Funding for the 988 System
- Advocate for CT's non-negotiable commitment to immediate mental health crisis support via the 988 system.
- Imperative to allocate sustainable, long-term funding for continuous and reliable aid.
- System staffed by trained individuals and certified peer support staff.
- Ensures a compassionate and understanding approach in crisis response.

### Championing Mental Wellness: Fueling the Bipartisan Mental Health Caucus with Active Engagement
- Pledge to actively empower the Bipartisan Mental Health Caucus in Connecticut General Assembly.
- Position as a dynamic and informed resource for mental health initiatives.
- Contribute firsthand to the collective effort in prioritizing mental well-being.
- Transform commitment into tangible action for the state’s mental health landscape.

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### Championing the collaboration with 'For All Ages' to tackle the pressing epidemic of loneliness and social isolation in the United States
- Address the annual toll of 162,000 Americans succumbing to isolation.
- Seeks to safeguard community well-being and vitality.
- Forging partnerships transcending age barriers.
- Aims to create a nation where no one feels alone, uniting against the silent epidemic claiming lives.

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