



State Representative Kenny Yuko

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Rep. Yuko Announces Funding for Euclid Projects

State's Capital Budget Includes Money for Pier, Breakwater Efforts

COLUMBUS – State Representative Kenny Yuko (D-Richmond Heights) announced the Capital Appropriations Bill approved by the Ohio General Assembly yesterday includes more than a half-million dollars for building projects in the 7th Ohio House district.

The allocations include \$500,000 for the Euclid Marina Breakwater Project and \$100,000 for the Euclid Beach Pier.

“I was proud lead the effort to secure this funding,” Rep. Yuko said. “These projects represent a significant boost to economic development in our area and a major step toward meeting the recreational needs of the people in the district.”

Rep. Yuko said the Euclid Marina Breakwater Project “will be a local refuge and safe harbor to boaters between the City of Cleveland and the City of Mentor. More importantly, the Harbor Town development project – which the breakwater would protect – will generate additional lakefront and economic development along the Lake Erie shoreline in the Greater Cleveland region.”

The other project in Rep. Yuko’s district will help rebuild the fishing pier at Euclid Beach State Park, a major attraction when the area included an amusement park.

“A rebuilt pier will draw more outdoor enthusiasts who will visit and shop at nearby businesses,” Rep. Yuko said. “Increasing the foot traffic in the park will be a boost for the local economy.”

Rep. Yuko worked nearly a year to secure this funding. He hosted Lieutenant Governor Lee Fisher and members of Governor Ted Strickland’s staff for a tour of Harbor Town in August 2007. He also arranged for a visit by Ohio Department of Natural Resources Director Sean Logan. Both tours impressed upon those officials the need for state resources to support these important community projects.

The Capital Appropriations Bill now goes to Governor Strickland for his consideration and signature.