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Rep. Yuko Wins Award from Ohio Counseling Association

Honored for his efforts on behalf of mental health issues

COLUMBUS – The Ohio Counseling Association has awarded State Rep. Kenny Yuko (D-Richmond Heights) with its “Public Policy and Legislation Award” for his advocacy of mental health issues.

Rep. Yuko is the sponsor of House Bill 281, which expands the ability of counselors to provide needed services.

“The mental health professionals included in HB 281 not only have the education and professional training to make these critical judgments, but they are the first line of defense when it comes to noticing someone who is in distress,” said Rep. Yuko. “We need to give those who are out there on the frontlines the tools they need to help people so they don’t continue to slip through the cracks”.

The Ohio Counseling Association is the professional organization representing all licensed counselors, and those in graduate training to be counselors, in Ohio. They presented the award to Rep. Yuko at a luncheon in Columbus.