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THE HONORABLE MIKE FEUER  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER AD 42  
CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY

Mike Feuer was elected to represent California's 42nd Assembly District in 2006. He chairs the Budget Subcommittee on Information Technology and Transportation, and is a member of the Budget, Judiciary, Environment and Toxics, and Revenue and Taxation Committees. Mike also serves on the Assembly working group addressing California's water crisis, and the Select Committees on Youth Violence Prevention and on Air Quality.

In his first year in the Assembly, Mike authored one of the major accomplishments of the 2007 term--the Crime Gun Identification Act. Endorsed by more than 65 police chiefs, sheriffs and prosecutors, the Act requires that starting in 2010, semi-automatic handguns be equipped with microstamping technology that marks an ejected bullet casing with the make, model and serial number of the gun from which it came. Law enforcement leaders believe this requirement will provide valuable leads in gun crimes, and deter illegal weapons trafficking. The bill gained national prominence: The *New York Times* twice joined *The Los Angeles Times* and other California newspapers in supporting the Act, and key federal legislators are drafting legislation modeled on it.

Mike also played an instrumental role in directing more than \$700 million to relieve congestion on the 405 Freeway on Los Angeles' west side—one of the most crowded freeways in the world. He emerged as a leader on significant environmental issues, fighting to diminish the significant health threat posed by toxics and to protect the marine ecosystem. Mike also led major initiatives for nursing home patients and consumers.

Prior to his service in the Assembly, Mike represented Los Angeles' Fifth City Council District from 1995-2001. Mike oversaw the city's budget as the chair of the Council's Budget and Finance Committee, was the Vice-Chair of the Public Safety Committee, and led the Council's committees on business tax reform and issues relating to children and seniors. He authored numerous laws combating gun violence, spearheaded the creation of Los Angeles' 311 non-emergency city services phone system and the first playgrounds accessible to disabled children, initiated Los Angeles' successful charter reform process in the Council, initiated the Housing Trust Fund, co-authored the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, funded meals for 75,000 indigent seniors and jobs for at-risk youth, and wrote a successful ballot measure bolstering the city's ethics commission.

Mike taught public policy at UCLA's School of Public Affairs, and litigation techniques at UCLA Law School. He has been a commentator on National Public Radio member station KPCC, and written dozens of commentaries for California's leading newspapers. Mike has practiced law at two of California's leading firms, Hufstедler, Miller, Carlson & Beardsley, and Morrison & Foerster. Mike began his career as a judicial clerk to California Supreme Court Justice Joseph R. Grodin. His first formal political experience was as the director of research and issues for Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley's 1986 campaign for Governor.

The recipient of numerous awards for his work to promote education reform, affordable housing, violence reduction, and the rights of seniors and children, Mike is a *Phi Beta Kappa*, *magna cum laude* graduate of Harvard College, and a *cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School. He and his wife, Superior Court Judge Gail Ruderman Feuer, have been married twenty-four years. They live with their two teenaged children, Aaron and Danielle, in the Fairfax neighborhood of Los Angeles