

## A BETTER FUTURE FOR WORKING FAMILIES

As the father of two young children, I know that it's expensive to raise a family, and that the District -- including Ward 6 -- experiences significant economic inequality, making it that much harder for many families to make ends meet. I have fought to ensure District workers are paid a fair wage, have important protections like paid sick and family leave, and can access high quality care for their children. As Councilmember, I have:

- Led the way in the fight for \$15 by **advancing a minimum wage increase for all District workers, including increasing the tipped minimum wage**. Funded the first full-time wage theft attorney positions in the Office of the Attorney General to ensure enforcement of our strong wage theft laws.
- Introduced and passed the **Wage Theft Prevention Clarification and Overtime Fairness Amendment Act** to give workers greater protections from losing wages and other benefits including sick leave or paid time off they had rightfully earned.
- Co-authored and supported the District's first **Universal Paid Family Leave** law, ensuring District residents can take time from work to care for themselves or a family member without worrying about losing their wages or employment. Now I'm fighting to ensure the program is implemented and funded just as it was passed.
- Fought to increase the number of **high quality, affordable childcare spots** and **increased pay for childcare providers**; worked to fund new low-cost and no-cost **afterschool and summer programs** so kids have opportunities to continue learning after the school day ends;
- Host **Ward 6 Career Fairs** twice a year, aimed at helping residents find good-paying jobs by connecting them directly with local employers who are ready to hire onsite or schedule an interview.
- Working to ensure fair access to career opportunities by **reforming our criminal record sealing and expungement laws** so that an arrest record, even if no charges are ever filed, doesn't close the door to opportunity.