

To the Media:

Congressman Lawler has been a friend of the Latino community in the Hudson Valley for years and these personal attacks against him are wrong.

Mike has been a strong supporter of community organizations that directly serve Latinos - and has been honored by those same organizations for his friendship and partnership during his time in elected office. He has also been a bipartisan advocate of common-sense immigration reform.

The attempts to twist his words into something sinister is a sad reflection of our current political environment, where people immediately attack someone they disagree with instead of engaging in a productive discourse.

Those in the Latino community know that Congressman Lawler is our friend, and we look forward to continuing to work with him on key issues facing our community.

Sincerely,

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