From: "Rep. John Duarte" <Duarte.press@mail.house.gov> To: Alexa.Manning@mail.house.gov Subject: TEST Update from Congressman Duarte Date: Mon, 22 Jul 2024 09:27:47 -0400 Update from Congressman Duarte Dear friend, Community.It's more important than ever,and I appreciate our Valley community more than ever this week. After former President Trump was shot and I received abomb threat(https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/www.axios.com/2024/07/14/trump-rally-shooting-congress-memb , I was worried that our country would become more divided. However, the opposite happened. I had dozens of conversations about lowering the temperature and animosity. I was proud to see Democrats and Republicans come together throughout our Valley and focus on working together to fix our pressing issues. While the weekend was difficult for numerous reasons, this week mademe more optimistic than ever thatourValley has brighter days ahead. Thank you! Survey Question: Are your grocery prices too high? Survey Responses: 1. Yes(https://duarte.house.gov/Forms/Form/QuickSurvey.aspx?email=jd@fireside21.com&sid=32&fid=1681 2. No(https://duarte.house.gov/Forms/Form/QuickSurvey.aspx?email=jd@fireside21.com&sid=32&fid=16814 3. Unsure(https://duarte.house.gov/Forms/Form/QuickSurvey.aspx?email=jd@fireside21.com&sid=32&fid=1 Making Food Affordable I'm working with Democrats and Republicans on a plan to make food more affordable in our Valley. I am working to require the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to study why grocery prices are increasing and how to address these high prices. Town Halls My town halls in Lathrop and Chowchilla went great! In Lathrop, we had a great discussion about bringing down the price of gas and groceries, veterans, bringing good-paying jobs to our Valley, water issues, community projects, agriculture, and immigration. My favorite part of my job is being a voice for you in Washington. Image:Photo , Caption: Meeting with Lathrop community members at my town hall. In Chowchilla at American Legion Post 148, I updated the attendees on my bills for veterans, farming, and community projects. Your participation and feedback are invaluable, and I am committed to fighting for your needs. Thank you for making these town halls a success. See you at the next event! Image:Photo , Caption: Discussing current issues facing our troops during my town hall. Visiting Atwater Prison This week, I visited United States Penitentiary (USP) Atwater, where I discussed concerns and toured the prison with the staff. I learned how I can ensure fair treatment and pay for workers at the prison. A strong and fair workplace at USP Atwater benefits our entire Central Valley community. Image:Photo , Caption: Visiting USP Atwater to address staff concerns. Keeping Us Safe From Floods I am fighting to get the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to study why rivers and streams are clogging up with sediment and debris, which causes flooding. I want to require the Corps to report how to fix this issue to help reduce the risk of flooding in Valley communities. If we clean up our rivers and streams we will create good-paying jobs and keep our families safe,that's a big win. Standing Against Forced Child Labor Lastly, I sent a letter to the U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg. I am deeply concerned about the use of forced and child labor in cobalt mining, especially in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Most of the world's cobalt comes from

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