



# EXECUTIVE UPDATE

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HBADE Members,

Can you believe it's June already? This year is flying by and, with any luck, so will the remainder of this legislative session.

## RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

Our association was just awarded an Association Excellence Award for Best Local Government Affairs Effort by the National Association of Home Builders! This award has been presented to HBADE for our work in defeating a proposed sprinkler mandate in New Castle County. I am so proud of our members' hard work in getting this done!

HBADE President Mike Riemann and Government Relations Co-Chair Jon Horner have been actively engaged in conversations with Senator Hansen and other stakeholders on a bill pertaining to the protection of wetlands. We've made great progress on a substitute bill but it will not come before the General Assembly this year. There will be more stakeholder engagement throughout the rest of this year, and we anticipate the substitute bill will be introduced at the beginning of next session.

Plus, our new "BUILD DE" apparel is on sale now!

## WHAT'S COMING UP

We anticipate the upcoming election season to usher in a new era of politics in Delaware, with major shakeups across the state as long-serving elected officials leave office and new ones take their places. Look out for opportunities to join the conversation as HBADE crafts our political priorities for the incoming administration, and be sure you are registered to vote by October 12!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Safety Town Educational Event in September**
  - *Hosted by Chesapeake Utilities - more info to come soon!*

We can't wait to see you soon!

*Katie Gillis*