Dear friends,

My team and I are busier than ever, giving our best each day to help improve the quality of life in our community.

I’ve introduced legislation to protect our urban forests and lessen the chance of wildfires, reduce gun violence in our communities, and end practices that for too long have enabled workplace abuse. Check out our BILLboard on Page 2 for more information on this year’s legislative package.

We continue to meet with as many constituents as possible in our offices, at town halls, and during evening office hours. We appreciate hearing your legislative ideas and helpful feedback and encourage you to keep us posted.

It’s my honor to represent such a diverse district, and I’m grateful to the community leaders of all ages and backgrounds who have invited me to participate in events that spur discussion on a wide range of issues, from promoting inclusion and civic engagement in our youth to ending gender bias in the workers compensation system. Look inside for more details on the many community events my family, team and I have attended throughout our district.

Stay in-the-know about our participation in local festivals via Twitter, Facebook and our official website. Visit our booth to receive your free reusable bag, activity books for kids, and lots of info on state resources.

I also want to congratulate the Class of 2018! Our office is passionate about mentoring our community’s promising leaders. Current students and recent grads can connect with us for internship opportunities this summer. We are happy to provide community service hours, course credit and a first-hand look into the inner workings of a government office.

The 80th Assembly District is a special place, full of exciting events and some of the most talented and passionate people. It’s a privilege to represent you all.

Sincerely,

LORENA GONZALEZ FLETCHER
Assemblywoman, 80th District
Lorena’s legislative plans for 2018 include:

**Increasing Paid Sick Leave** — Lorena introduced a bill enabling California workers to earn a minimum of five paid sick days a year. The bill expands on her landmark 2014 bill mandating three earned paid sick days.

**Preventing Sexual Harassment** — Lorena introduced a bill that will prevent workers from being forced to sign arbitration agreements that stack the deck in favor of employers in sexual harassment cases.

**Protecting the Rights of Minors** — Lorena authored a bill that will set strict guidelines to establish when police can and cannot take DNA samples from minors who have not been arrested or charged with a crime.

**Reducing Gun Violence** — Lorena introduced a bill that would prohibit public agencies, during gun buy-back events, from handing out taxpayer-funded vouchers to any store that sells firearms or ammunition.

**Helping Victims of Human Trafficking** — Lorena authored a bill so victims of human trafficking may more easily receive compensation for any income they lost while working as modern-day slaves.

**Helping Breast Cancer Survivors Get Fair Workers’ Comp** — Lorena authored a bill to make sure breast cancer survivors are awarded fair workers’ comp.

**Making Sure Dreamers Can Get Diplomas** — Lorena’s bill would allow schools to grant diplomas to high school seniors in good standing who are deported before they are able to graduate.

**Reducing the Threat of Wildfires** — Lorena introduced a bill that would help reduce the risk of wildfires by creating an action plan to mitigate the damage caused by beetles that kill trees and turn them into kindling.

**Bills authored by Lorena that take effect in 2018:**

**AB 250: Low-Cost Coastal Accommodations** – Promotes more low-cost lodging options on California’s coast.

**AB 480: Diaper Program** – Makes diapers more affordable by allowing CalWORKs to reimburse low-income families for diapers. California becomes the first state in the nation to adopt such a program.

**AB 746: Lead Testing in School Drinking Water** – Protects health of students by requiring schools test for lead in drinking water and notify parents of their children’s healthcare options if elevated lead levels are discovered.

**AB 805: Local Transportation Reform** – Makes San Diego transportation planning more accountable, transparent and responsive to community needs by reforming SANDAG and MTS.

Plus numerous other bills that will reduce drunk driving, protect sexual assault survivors, and increase the number of trees in urban areas.

Share your legislative ideas, community events and concerns with us at: Assemblymember.Gonzalez@assembly.ca.gov
Lorena and her husband, Nathan, attended the inaugural Mary Seau CTE Foundation Luncheon educating the community on the brain disease that affected Junior Seau and other athletes.

Lorena thanked the California Applicants' Attorneys Association for advocating for workers injured on the job and for helping end gender bias in the workers compensation system.

Lorena received recognition from California Association of Food Banks for her work to connect families to fresh produce.

Lorena and her family joined the Anti-Defamation League and thousands of San Diegans in the Walk Against Hate.

Lorena called for the support of workers, brave whistleblowers, and the end of practices that enable sexual harassment in the workplace.

Lorena was honored with the Environmental Health Coalition’s Spirit of Justice Award for her long time advocacy for environmental justice.

Stay in the know. Follow @LorenaAD80 on Twitter.
Lorena received California ReLeaf’s first-ever Tree Champion Award for her efforts to increase urban forestry, reverse climate change, and ensure health equity in all communities.

Lorena joined the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault’s Denim Day event, showing her support for rape survivors.

Lorena participated in a community discussion hosted by the League of Women Voters about the importance of civic engagement, including in youth, who may now pre-register to vote at the age of 16.

Lorena received CAHealth+ Advocates’ 2018 Health Center Champion Award for her work to support our health clinics and most challenged communities.

On International Workers Day, Lorena, whose mother was a nurse, proudly stood alongside the California Nurses Association.

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Lorena was happy to host visiting San Diego Unified School District police officers on the floor of the State Assembly.

Get the latest info. Follow Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher on Facebook.
Lorena was proud to introduce Governor Jerry Brown to deported veteran Hector Barajas, whose life he changed with a pardon.

Lorena received the State Parks Foundation’s Legacy Award for her support of state parks and the countless California families they serve.

Lorena joined a powerful panel and town hall about gun violence, which was organized by students from our community.

Lorena enjoyed speaking with Kat Von D, a 2018 Latino Spirit Award recipient, about activism, representation and empathy for the Look West podcast.

Lorena enjoyed meeting with many constituents at her evening office hours held at A Reason to Survive (ARTS) in National City.

Lorena was joined by Gretchen Carlson for a press conference regarding Lorena’s AB 3080, which would end forced arbitration as a condition of employment.

AD 80 All Stars

Karangalan Scholars at Sweetwater Union High School District’s Magkaisa Filipino American Conference.

Chicana and Chicano Studies Graduates from San Diego State University.

Detour Empowers Scholarship Recipients at this year’s FANCY Teen Expo.

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Our AD80 Team is always looking for individuals who are passionate about community empowerment and interested in learning about the legislative process.

To apply, contact Francine Maigue at Francine.Maigue@asm.ca.gov or (619) 338-8090.

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