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**PENNSYLVANIA AGGREGATES AND CONCRETE ASSOCIATION HOSTS PA POLITICS INITIATIVE
AT STATE CAPITOL**

HARRISBURG, Pa. (Aug. 15, 2022) – Today, Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association (PACA) members and participants in the association’s Emerging Leaders Academy (PELA) Class of 2022 attended the PA Politics Initiative, a day of grassroots and advocacy at the state Capitol.

The goal of the initiative is to help members and PELA program participants understand the role politics plays in their everyday life and make them more comfortable with the people and processes that surround it.

“PACA’s PA Politics Initiative was designed to provide attendees with the tools to feel comfortable meeting with state representatives and advocating for their organizations either in their community or in Harrisburg,” said Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association Government Affairs/PAC Committee Chair Rod Martin from Martin Stone Quarries. “Hearing from individuals involved in Pennsylvania’s legislative process such as legislators, staff members and committee executives allows for a balanced look at state government.

2022 PA Politics Initiative presenters included:

- Jake Smeltz, Chief of Staff; Speaker of the House Bryan Cutler (R-Lancaster);
- John Hopcraft, Chief of Staff, Sen. Kristen Phillips-Hill (R-York);
- Betsy Phillips, Scheduler; Gov. Tom Wolf (D);
- John Guyer, Executive Director; Senate Appropriations Committee (R);
- Scott Sikorski, Legislative Director, Deputy Chief of Staff; Sen. Kim Ward (R-Westmoreland); and
- Rep. Seth Grove (R-York).

Meeting with state legislators as part of a coordinated legislative event is an important part of PACA’s legislative strategy. Events such as the PA Politics Initiative show the dedication of PACA’s members and helps them foster relationships with lawmakers.

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About PACA

PACA is Pennsylvania's leading voice for the crushed stone, ready mixed concrete, sand and gravel, and cement industries' community. PACA safeguards the industry from common threats; expands market opportunities; trains a productive workforce; educates and communicates the value of construction materials to all Pennsylvanians; serves as the gathering place for industry stakeholders; and unites divergent interests into a shared platform for action to benefit the aggregates, ready mixed concrete and cement industries in Pennsylvania.

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