



EVELYN SANGUINETTI

Lieutenant Governor

Evelyn Sanguinetti (Republican) is proud to serve the residents of the State of Illinois as their 47th Lieutenant Governor. Elected alongside Governor Bruce Rauner in 2014, she serves as the first Latina Lieutenant Governor not only of the state, but also of the entire country. She is a wife, working mother of three and an attorney by trade. She was formerly an adjunct professor of law, an assistant Illinois attorney general and a Wheaton City Councilwoman.

Sanguinetti was born in Hialeah, a neighborhood outside of Miami, Florida, to teenage parents — her mother a Cuban refugee and her father an Ecuadorian immigrant. Despite their many challenges, her parents were determined to give their daughter every opportunity to succeed. Growing up, Sanguinetti developed a love for the arts. She learned how to play the piano at a local community center and was accepted into The New World School of the Arts in Miami. This educational opportunity allowed her to pursue a college degree at Florida International University.

Following graduation, Sanguinetti moved to Chicago to attend The John Marshall Law School, where she developed an understanding and passion for the law and Illinois. She soon joined Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan’s office as an assistant attorney general, where she fought to protect the people of the State of Illinois.

Sanguinetti suffered an accident while walking on Wheaton city property. Subsequent medical examinations revealed that she has Multiple Sclerosis (MS). She vowed to never let her MS stop her. She proceeded to run for, and win, an election to the Wheaton City Council on a platform of delivering efficient, streamlined government to the people of Wheaton.

Since becoming Illinois’ Lieutenant Governor, Sanguinetti has dedicated her time to meeting with individuals, organizations and other entities that work to create a better Illinois. She is the point person for the Governor’s Rural Affairs Council; the Illinois River, Mississippi River, and Wabash and Ohio Rivers Coordinating Councils; the Interagency Military Base Support and Economic Development Committee. Sanguinetti also oversees the Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandates Task Force.

As Lieutenant Governor of Illinois, Sanguinetti is committed to fighting for all Illinois residents.

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