



State Representative
Minnie González (D)

*Majority Whip at Large,
National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators,
Vice President of Membership*

- **Minnie González** was born in Adjuntas, Puerto Rico. She is the mother of three children, Nelky, Ivan and Josué, and she has seven grandchildren. In 1981 she came to Hartford, Connecticut hoping to improve her family's living conditions and to receive better health services.
- She was very involved in the Hartford School System while her children were in school. At the Quirk Middle School she was an active participant in the Parents and Teachers Organization, serving as their treasurer. Later, at West Middle School she served as the President of the Parents and Teachers Organization.
- She worked for the State of Connecticut, Judicial System in the Hartford Juvenile Court and the West Hartford Superior Court for over eleven years as a Special Deputy Sheriff. She also worked as the Hartford Democratic Assistant Registrar of Voters.
- In 1990, **Minnie González** was elected to the Third Assembly District Democratic Town Committee.
- In 1996, she was first elected to the office of State Representative for the Third Assembly District. She is now serving her seventh term in that office. Presently, she is the Majority Whip at Large, a member of the Public Safety Committee, the Judiciary Committee, and the Appropriation's Committee. She previously served as the vice-chair of the Housing Committee, Assistant Majority Leader, Assistant Majority Whip and Deputy Majority Whip at Large.
- In 2005, **Minnie González** was the first Puerto Rican Female to be elected Chairperson of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus of the State of Connecticut General Assembly.
- **Minnie González** is also a cancer survivor who was first diagnosed with cancer in the early 80's which required emergency surgery and a lengthy recovery period. Her battle with cancer has led her to take a role in cancer prevention and early detection campaigns within the spanish speaking community.
- She has received dozens of citations and recognition from numerous religious groups, charitable organizations, and civic and business associations for her outstanding work on behalf of the community.
- **Minnie González** has also been a tireless advocate and sponsor of many youth initiatives and sports programs, most notably as a sponsor of the Hartford Roberto Clemente Little League program, which benefits hundreds of Hartford's youth.