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Tricia Gavin Files Papers for Iowa Senate District 22

Gavin promises to advocate for education funding and clean water.

WEST DES MOINES -- Tricia Gavin, an Iowa native and life-long Democrat, has filed the necessary papers to run for Iowa State Senate in District 22, which includes Waukee, Clive, Windsor Heights and parts of West Des Moines. The seat is currently held by Republican Charles Schneider.

Gavin, a marketing manager, said her main priority is increasing funding for education. "Charles Schneider has continually voted to underfund education, making it impossible to properly pay our education professionals and adequately support mental health needs in our schools. Due to lack of funding, lowa is dropping in national educational rankings. I went to school in lowa when we were number one, and now we rank ninth. I have talked with many educators and support professionals who are fed up with the lack of urgency and advocacy. They also want their collective bargaining rights back. I will stand up for our education system and help bring us back to first in the nation."

Another priority for Gavin is water quality. "Charles Schneider is not taking water quality seriously," she said. "We continue to spend millions of dollars stripping nitrates from our water and rank 41st in water quality. All lowans can get behind supporting clean drinking and recreational water, yet Schneider is still wavering on fully supporting funding for the IWILL trust that lowans voted on 10 years ago. I will make sure we work to improve water quality and follow through on items that lowans vote for."

Gavin also wants to diversify the state's economy. "Iowa ranks 44th in business environment," she noted. "We need to diversify our offerings and bring more good paying and sustainable jobs to the state."

Gavin said that Schneider is failing the needs of his constituents. "For far too long, many Senate District 22 residents have not had their voices heard," she said. "I will

listen to constituents and make a good faith effort to represent everyone."

About:

Tricia Gavin of West Des Moines, a graduate of the Emerge Iowa Training program for up-and-coming political candidates, has been door knocking since July in her quest for the District 22 Iowa Senate seat. Gavin, who grew up in Cedar Rapids, is a product marketing manager supporting credit unions. She previously worked as a marketing division manager for Allstate Insurance, in business transformation at the U.S. Department of Defense, and in acquisition programs for the U.S. Coast Guard. Tricia has been endorsed by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. She holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. For more information, visit www.triciagavinforsenate.com.

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