

Voters from all across the political spectrum are voting *democrat* for State Representative this November. **Here's why.**

### Tax Relief

I have already met with the authors of the Border Bill and have been promised the opportunity to become a co-sponsor for the bill and to include our border communities when it comes up for renewal in the next session. This will allow our voters to decide if, and how, state income taxes are levied in effort to prevent Iowans from moving to neighboring states that have no state income tax.

### Capitalizing on the Green Energy Movement

Whether you believe in global warming or not, one thing is certain: The green energy movement is here and it presents an incredible economic opportunity for NW Iowa. My opponent is a global warming denier and even stated on the House floor last January that he would not support *any* legislation intended to address global warming. He even voted against efforts to simply measure greenhouse gas emissions in Iowa. By electing me, you'll be removing an obstacle on the path to environmental stewardship and clean energy.

### Accessibility

As your Representative, my door will always be open. Furthermore, when the House is not in session, I will continue serving you by attending every one of your city council and county supervisor meetings. The days of having to go to your state legislator will be over. *I will come to you*

### Supporting Our Troops

When elected, I will use every resource at my disposal to ensure that our troops returning from abroad receive the benefits they were promised. "Support the troops" was a great slogan to drum up support for our military interventions abroad, but now is the time when they *really* need our support. Healthcare benefits and tuition payments have been promised but not delivered and our men and women of the military deserve to be treated as the heroes they are. They upheld their end of the deal, now we need to uphold ours.

### Jobs and Wages

For too long candidates beholden to corporate interests have held the only slot on our ballot. Isn't it time that the public interest had a voice? As a resident of Le Mars, I'm watching our major employers lay off workers or close down entirely. I want to reverse this trend by reenergizing our locally owned business and ending tax benefits for out of town mega-retailers that import goods from China and export profits to their out-of-state headquarters.



### Environment and Renewable Fuels

The impact of global climate change is already being felt across the nation. I highly encourage the use and exploration of all renewable fuels and alternative energies. Furthermore, I support making all gas pumps in Iowa contain 10% ethanol and providing incentives for utility companies to accommodate the changes necessary for wind and solar development on a consumer level.

### Healthcare

It's embarrassing that we are the only industrialized nation without universal healthcare for our legal citizens. Steps must be made to reduce costs, therefore I support a single-payer healthcare program that includes administrative simplicity for patients and providers, that will result in significant savings in overhead costs.

### Education

Our schools are struggling to operate and are stifled by the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act. I support an increase in school funding and a reintroduction of arts and literature studies to assist our children in developing critical thinking skills to compliment their math and science skills. There is no reason that the birthplace of the Iowa Test of Basic Skills should have their education style dictated to them by a failed program from Texas.

### Special interests

While my opponent enjoys campaign donations from out-of-state energy companies from as far away as Florida, I never have and never will accept out-of-state PAC or lobbyist money.