

Rummel campaign: Madison alder announces bid for state Assembly

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Madison, WI- Seven term Madison Alder Marsha Rummel has announced her candidacy for the 76th District Assembly seat of the Wisconsin Legislature.

“I believe I am well prepared to fill Representative Chris Taylor’s shoes. We face a global pandemic that requires an extraordinary response from the state government to protect the health and well-being of Wisconsin residents,” said Marsha. “The success of our response will depend on our priorities. My service as a local government official has made it abundantly clear how state policies impact the ability of local communities to meet their residents’ needs.”

Marsha grew up in Chicago and came to Madison to attend the University of Wisconsin in 1979. Her experience serving as President of the Marquette Neighborhood Association led her to run for City Council in 2007. Marsha currently serves on the Plan Commission, Public Market Development Committee, and the Madison Water Utility Board.

As Common Council President in 2017-2018, Alder Rummel chaired the President’s Work Group on Police and Community Relations which called for more community oversight of police. She worked with residents throughout the 76th Assembly District through her legislative and city committee work. “I have a strong record of public engagement and constituent service that I hope to bring to the Assembly.”

If elected, Rummel will work with fellow legislators on a recovery plan for the immediate public health and economic crisis and seek to repair Republican cuts to social safety nets, public education, local businesses, and to support first responders and service workers. She intends to focus on promoting affordable housing, addressing gun violence, and addressing racial justice.

Alder Rummel currently works at the Wisconsin Department of Revenue with state tax law and programs to benefit taxpayers. Prior to her employment at DOR, Marsha worked for over 20 years at a cooperatively owned and managed business.

Marsha has been endorsed by former Rep David Clarenbach. "I am struck by the issues Marsha has worked on. Her broad knowledge of issues goes well beyond the City Council. She brings unique skills that will benefit the State Assembly. I wholeheartedly support Marsha Rummel."

Current Representative Lisa Subeck of District 78 said "Marsha Rummel is exactly the kind of progressive leader we need in the State Assembly. Having served with Marsha on the City Council, I know firsthand her commitment to serving her constituents passionately and effectively."

Dane County Board Supervisor Yogesh Chawla says "Marsha is a bold progressive who has deftly represented our neighborhoods and led the Madison City Council through many challenges. In the most difficult situations, she always brings people together and never wavers from her core principals. She has the energy, vision and experience and will bring the kind of leadership our district has come to expect in the state assembly."

The Democratic primary for Assembly is scheduled for August 11th.