

Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation: Volunteers for Agriculture announce legislative endorsements

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MADISON - Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation's political action arm, the Volunteers for Agriculture® Committee, has announced its endorsements of candidates in State Assembly and Senate races in the November 3 general election.

"The members who make up the VFA take their role very seriously," said WFBF Senior Director of Governmental Relations Debi Towns. "They chose to endorse these candidates because of their support on issues that are important to Wisconsin farmers and rural communities."

The VFA endorsed five candidates in the State Senate:

Rob Stafsholt (R- New Richmond), 10th Senate District
Mary Felzkowski (R-Irma), 12th Senate District
Joan Ballweg (R-Markesan), 14th Senate District
Patrick Testin (R-Stevens Point), 24th Senate District
Dan Kapanke (R-La Crosse), 32nd Senate District

The VFA endorsed 48 candidates in the State Assembly:

Joel Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay), 1st Assembly District
Ron Tusler (R-Harrison), 3rd Assembly District
Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna), 5th Assembly District
Gary Tauchen (R-Bonduel), 6th Assembly District
Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield), 13th Assembly District
Joe Sanfelippo (R-New Berlin), 15th Assembly District

Evan Goyke (D-Milwaukee), 18th Assembly District
Jessie Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek), 21st Assembly District
Jim Ott (R-Mequon), 23rd Assembly District
Paul Tittl (R-Manitowoc), 25th Assembly District
Terry Katsma (R-Oostburg), 26th Assembly District
Tyler Vorpapel (R-Plymouth), 27th Assembly District
Shannon Zimmerman (R-River Falls), 30th Assembly District
Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton), 31st Assembly District
Tyler August (R-Lake Geneva), 32nd Assembly District
Rob Swearingen (R-Rhineland), 34th Assembly District
Jeff Mursau (R-Crivitz), 36th Assembly District
John Jagler (R-Watertown), 37th Assembly District
Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam), 39th Assembly District
Kevin Petersen (R-Waupaca), 40th Assembly District
Jon Plumer (R-Lodi), 42nd Assembly District
Don Vruwink (D-Milton), 43rd Assembly District
Travis Tranel (R-Cuba City) 49th Assembly District
Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc), 50th Assembly District
Todd Novak (R-Dodgeville), 51st Assembly District
Jeremy Thiesfeldt (R-Fond du Lac), 52nd Assembly District
Michael Schraa (R-Oshkosh), 53rd Assembly District
Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh), 54th Assembly District
Robert Brooks (R-Saukville), 60th Assembly District
Samantha Kerkman (R-Salem), 61st Assembly District
Robin Vos (R-Rochester), 63rd Assembly District
Rob Summerfield (R-Bloomer), 67th Assembly District
Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah), 70th Assembly District
Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point), 71st Assembly District
Scott Krug (R-Nekoosa), 72nd Assembly District
Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton), 79th Assembly District
Dave Considine (D-Baraboo), 81st Assembly District
Ken Skowronski (R-Franklin), 82nd Assembly District
Patrick Snyder (R-Schofield), 85th Assembly District
John Spiros (R-Marshfield), 86th Assembly District
James Edming (R-Glen Flora) 87th Assembly District
John Macco (R-Ledgeview), 88th Assembly District
John Nygren (R-Marinette), 89th Assembly District
Treig Pronschinske (R-Mondovi), 92nd Assembly District

Warren Petryk (R-Eleva), 93rd Assembly District
Kevin Hoyer (R-West Salem), 94th Assembly District
Loren Oldenburg (R-Viroqua), 96th Assembly District
Scott Allen (R-Waukesha), 97th Assembly District

The Volunteers for Agriculture® Committee is comprised of 18 farmers from across the state. It was formed to give farmers a more direct role in electing leaders who best represent agriculture's interests.

The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation is the state's largest general farm organization, representing farms of every size, commodity and management style.