

Godlewski campaign: Wisconsin trailblazer and tribal rights leader Ada Deer endorses candidate for U.S. Senate

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Today, State Treasurer and candidate for U.S. Senate Sarah Godlewski was endorsed by Menominee Tribe member and former U.S. Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Ada Deer, one of the foremost Wisconsin and national leaders in advancing Tribal rights and recognition.

USA Today Network named Ada Deer one of the 10 most influential [Wisconsin Women of the Century](#).

Under President Bill Clinton, Ada was appointed as the first woman to lead the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs and also served as a delegate to the United Nations Human Rights Committee. As a young woman, Ada led the effort to end the 'termination era' and restore federal recognition and sovereignty to the Menominee Tribe. She previously served on the National Support Committee of the Native American Rights Fund and was a distinguished lecturer at the Sandra Rosenbaum School of Social Work at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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"I'm proud to endorse my friend Sarah Godlewski for U.S. Senate. I've come to know Sarah as a strong-minded, experienced leader who never takes 'no' for an answer," **said former Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Ada Deer.** "Her unparalleled record, deep commitment to public service, and leadership make her the best candidate to deliver results for all the people of Wisconsin. That's why

she's earned my full admiration and support."

"Ada is a trailblazer through and through. She's spent her life fearlessly taking on powerful politicians and breaking down long-standing barriers to secure progress for Tribal nations and the people of Wisconsin. It is such an honor to have her support in this campaign," **said State Treasurer Sarah Godlewski.** "Following in Ada's footsteps, I'm running for Senate because Wisconsinites deserve a Senator who's fighting for them in Washington. Unlike Ron Johnson, who's put conspiracy theories ahead of working families, I'll stand up to anyone or anything in the way to get the job done."