

Nelson campaign: Statement on Rittenhouse verdict

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Appleton, WI – Today, Kyle Rittenhouse was acquitted of all charges in killing Anthony Huber and Joseph Rosenbaum. U.S. Senate candidate Tom Nelson released the following statement:

“There is no place for vigilantism in our country. Unfortunately, the verdict acquitting Kyle Rittenhouse sends a different message. It will encourage other misguided individuals fueled by extremist groups and media to perform similar acts. There is no question that Anthony Huber and Joseph Rosenbaum would still be alive had Rittenhouse not been present in Kenosha. The fact that Rittenhouse has become a hero to the extreme nationalists in our country is both disheartening and dangerous. This verdict will only empower them. Regardless of political beliefs, we, as Americans, cannot tolerate violent action by citizens against others exercising their right to assemble. When a lawful assembly gets out of control, it is the job of law enforcement and other local and state authorities to deal with it in a controlled and trained manner. The idea that any armed individual can insert themselves into a law enforcement scenario is a danger to our citizens, law enforcement, and our National Guard.”