

Pfaff campaign: District veterans: Derrick Van Orden “crossed a line” by participating in Jan. 6 attack

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BANGOR — Today, **State Senator and nominee for Congress Brad Pfaff** traveled to Bangor, WI to meet with local veterans and host a roundtable discussion that focused on the issues important to Wisconsin veterans. Unsurprisingly, Derrick’s active participation in the Jan. 6 insurrection was a top-of-mind issue.

“I heard from Wisconsin veterans today that when Derrick entered the restricted area of the Capitol grounds during the Jan. 6 attack, he crossed a line,” said **Brad Pfaff**. “No real patriot would willingly participate in the insurrectionist plot to overthrow our free and fair elections. Our active service member and veteran communities deserve a leader who shares their values — I’m running to bring these homegrown values to Washington.”

“No one respects veterans more than me — I’m a veteran and my father was one too — but the Capitol attack was the last place any self-respecting veteran should have been,” said **Paul Wuensch, a veteran of Desert Storm**. “Service to the people comes in many different forms, but participation in the Jan. 6 insurrection is not one of them, and I believe Derrick lost all credibility as a veteran when you take part in something like that, full stop.”

Brad believes that true service doesn’t leave room for attacks on our democracy. Born and raised in this district, Brad has used homegrown values to inform a career in public service, whether at the USDA Farm Service Agency, as Secretary of the Wisconsin State Department of Agriculture, as State Senator, or as this district’s next Member of Congress. As the only district native running in this race, Brad finds Derrick’s track record of insurrection, probation, and sexual and verbal harassment

disturbing, and as an elected official and candidate for Congress, Brad knows Derrick's character makes him unfit for elected office.