

Wisconsin Farm Bureau: Volunteers for Agriculture® endorse Tim Michels for governor

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MADISON – Gubernatorial candidate Tim Michels has received the endorsement of Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation’s political action arm, the Volunteers for Agriculture®. The VFA® Committee is made up of 18 farmers appointed by the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation’s Board of Directors.

Gubernatorial candidates were invited to interview with the VFA® Committee on Thursday, September 15. Following his interview and a private discussion amongst the committee, the VFA® made the decision to endorse Michels.

“Our members believe Tim Michels is a strong supporter of Wisconsin’s agricultural community,” said WFBF Governmental Relations Innovation and Engagement Strategist Karen Gefvert. “When interviewed by our committee of farmers from across the state, Tim expressed strong support of farmers and rural Wisconsin.”

Michels’ endorsement comes from his support and understanding of Wisconsin’s Right to Farm law, strong support for existing use value assessment laws, and the needs agriculture has for dependable roads and bridges for product transportation.

“Under the leadership of Tim Michels, our members believe Wisconsin agriculture will be poised to accomplish many things,” Gefvert added. “Led by farmers, the VFA’s decision comes from Tim’s respect for rural Wisconsin and commitment to grow our state’s agricultural economy.”

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

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.