

## GINA WALKINGTON ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 61

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HEALTH CARE ADVOCATE TO CHALLENGE KERKMAN

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*BRISTOL, WI* --- Bristol resident, Gina Walkington, today announced her intention to run for Wisconsin Assembly District 61. Walkington is a community organizer and advocate committed to improving access to health care. She lives in Bristol with her husband, Luke, and their three sons Cameron, Sawyer, and Weston.

"I'm running to represent District 61 because I believe the interests and well-being of my fellow Wisconsinites are no longer represented in Madison," Walkington said.

In 2016, Walkington joined three fellow Kenosha county residents to form Forward Kenosha, a community-organizing group dedicated to fighting for social justice, government accountability, and to support grass roots activism. Walkington is also a graduate of 'The Wisconsin Women's Network Policy Institute,' where she worked on legislation to ensure that no student in the Wisconsin Public School system ever goes hungry due to financial hardship.

"The children of Wisconsin deserve the best possible opportunities to be successful. I vow to put the families of this district first and fight for better funding for our schools, access to adequate and affordable healthcare and jobs that help working people achieve the quality of life they choose for themselves and for their families".

Walkington has also been an outspoken advocate for improving access to health care. She frequently serves as a spokesperson in local, state, and national conversations about health care, and in 2017 testified before the United States Senate committee on women's health.

"The 61st District deserves a representative that will fight for a fair economy that works for working families and will focus on investing in our communities, beginning with adequately funding our public schools and improving local infrastructure. I am ready to work to get this done."