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Melissa Sargent Announces Endorsement from Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

MADISON— Melissa Sargent (D-Madison) released the following statement announcing an endorsement from City of Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway for her candidacy for Wisconsin's 16th Senate District:

"Today I am honored to announce an endorsement from City of Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway," Sargent said. "Mayor Satya continues to be a strong and compassionate leader for our city, and I am truly thankful for her vast contributions to our community."

Satya Rhodes-Conway is the 58th Mayor of Madison. She has extensive experience in local policy and practice, having worked with mayors across the country for over a decade, and serving three terms on the Madison Common Council. Elected in 2019, she is the city's second female mayor and the first out LGBTQ person to serve as Mayor of Madison. Rhodes-Conway and her partner live on Madison's east side with their dog Leo and two cats.

"Melissa Sargent is a progressive champion and advocate for the city of Madison, Dane County, and our state as a whole. Her experience in local government and with intergovernmental collaboration is invaluable, and will serve the City of Madison well as our next State Senator for District 16. Melissa's track record is impressive— she has fought for local control, funding for human services, and above all for the residents of our city. As an elected official, Melissa acts with the collective good in mind, and she has earned my unequivocal support," said Rhodes-Conway.

"I am grateful to Mayor Satya for her strong leadership in these difficult times. Her ability to navigate tough decisions and act quickly to support city residents during the current COVID-19 public health emergency is invaluable. It is truly an honor to be endorsed by her, and I am grateful for her support," said Sargent.

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Born and raised in Dane County, Melissa served on the Dane County Board prior to being elected to represent the 48th Assembly District. Before her start in politics, Melissa owned a small business and worked in the private sector. Concern for the greater community and a vision for a better Wisconsin brought her to public service and community activism. She is a proud mother of 4 boys, and lives on Madison's northside.