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## **55th Assembly Candidate Lauri Asbury Responds to False Allegations of “Misleading Voters”**

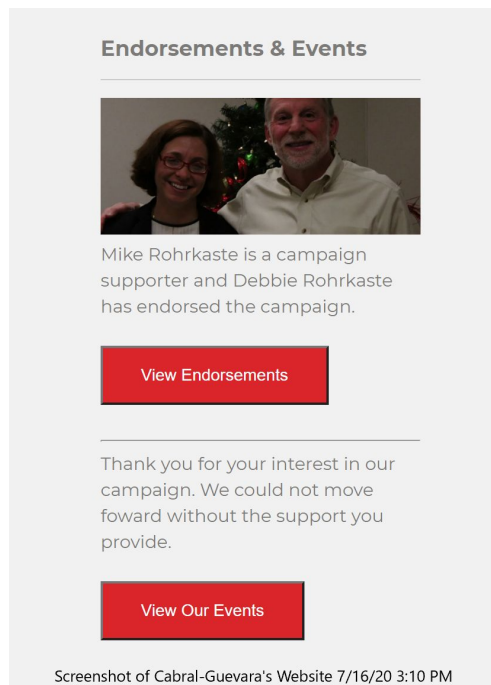
Late last year I sat down with Representative Mike Rohrkaste who encouraged me to run for the 55<sup>th</sup> Assembly seat. Mike Rohrkaste then connected me with the person who eventually became my campaign manager, a former campaign consultant of Rohrkaste’s first successful run, developing my team for this race.

Further, Representative Rohrkaste gave me a campaign contribution of \$500 from his committee, as he did to Rachael Cabral-Guevara one of my fellow competitors. He additionally gave in-kind donations to both campaigns. Representative Rohrkaste has been supporting both candidates from the beginning.

It is extremely disappointing that after verbal consent to use his image, spending hours with us on a photo shoot, suggesting the location of the photo seen here, his outward support by hosting our yard sign on his property, his attendance at our campaign events, and his multiple previous donations, that Representative Rohrkaste has felt we have misled voters by identifying him as a “campaign supporter”. Though he, on multiple occasions, told me and my campaign staff he was a “campaign supporter”.



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It is also extremely worrisome that our opponent Rachel Cabral-Guevara, uses Representative Rohraste's image on her website (see left) and labels him as "campaign supporter" and that no such backlash has occurred. We used an identical label to this and received extreme accusations of deception and "stretching the truth".

The Asbury For Assembly campaign feels that the dual support and neutrality of Representative Rohraste has been anything but. Adding an opponent's statement to his press release and allowing his image to be used freely by our opponent has detracted entirely from his statement of neutrality.

It's very disappointing that Cabral-Guevara would use her platform for inflammatory and deceptive means. Shame on the Cabral-Guevara campaign and Rachel herself for trying to deceive voters, this is just one of many examples of how she has been stretching the truth in this campaign.

We planned to propose a "clean campaign and fair-play pledge" to all candidates to remedy some of the truly spiteful things being said about our campaign and our opponent Jay Schroeder. Though after the current situation it seems Cabral-Guevara is not only unwilling to embrace an ethical campaign but is fully committed to slanderous attempts at defamation.

We commend our opponents Jay Schroeder and Dan Schierl for not engaging in this mudslinging. They have been worthy opponents, their accusations are fair and far from misleading, and they represent Wisconsin politics with dignity. They do not sacrifice civility in the pursuit of personal political gain. We strive to carry ourselves with that same dignity and urge voters to pick a candidate who will represent their values.

Lauri Asbury has been a community volunteer leader for more than 20 years, she has served two terms on the school board and has held multiple positions of leadership within the community. Any attack on her character is an attack on the voters and community that has elected her before, and the community she has served willingly for decades. Voters should not stand for such unethical politics and venomous accusations.