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DR. DEBORAH KERR NEARS ELECTION WITH MOST CASH ON HAND, MOST SIGNATURES FOR BALLOT PLACEMENT

State Superintendent candidate has broad appeal, strongest organization in statewide race

CALEDONIA - Dr. Deborah Kerr, candidate for Wisconsin State Superintendent of Public Instruction, today issued the following statement regarding her having filed the strongest fundraising numbers of any candidate and displaying the broadest base of support from across the state:

"I am deeply honored by the hard work and dedication to our campaign of people from across our state and across the country. I am pleased to announce that we are nearing the election on February 16 with the most cash on hand of any candidate - \$50,141.38.

"I have always made it clear that we are going to be a campaign that brings everyone to the table and assembles the broadest base of support. I am proud that we have Democrats, Republicans, and Independents who all agree with our message: there's no room for politics in education.

"Our campaign is also proud to announce that we showed how well our efforts were organized when we collected nomination signatures to have my name placed on the ballot. We had 2,965 signatures verified that were collected in 177 cities, villages, and towns from across the state. More signatures than any other candidate in this election.

"We are taking our position in this race seriously and we're going to continue to build on our strength and appeal in the weeks to come. I'm encouraging you to join our efforts as we gain the support of voters from all across Wisconsin.

"As superintendent, I'm going to bring every school district to the table and work together to fight for every child. Wisconsin is ready for real leadership and a commitment to the future of education across the state. Wisconsin's kids are counting on us."

Dr. Deborah Kerr has 40 years of experience in education, having spent 21 years as superintendent of rural and suburban districts. She proudly served for 13 years as Superintendent of Brown Deer Schools, a majority-minority district with 80% students of color and 50% in poverty. She is the Co-Chair of the UW System Task Force and past President of National and State Superintendent Associations. She is running to be the Wisconsin State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The primary election is Tuesday, February 16, 2021. For more information, visit kerr4kids.com