## Rep. Bowen Announces Bid for 1st District Common Council

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Bowen offers experienced leadership to work towards necessary solutions for Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE - Outgoing State Rep. David Bowen (D - Milwaukee) has released the following statement announcing his candidacy for Milwaukee's 1st Aldermanic District:

"Serving honorably in public office has been one of the highest honors of my life. Following my departure from the State legislature, the outpouring of encouragement to continue to serve the residents of Wisconsin has been both valuable and overwhelming. After much reflection, prayer, and counsel, I am honored to bring my passion and experience to the 1st Aldermanic District race.

Milwaukee is facing a number of critical challenges at a critical time; possibly the most challenging in Milwaukee's history. Public safety concerns threaten our quality of life; a lack of equitable economic opportunities and quality housing frustrates our ability to raise the standard of living for all Milwaukeeans. And our challenges with the City budget, due in part to a continuous lack of State support, continue to threaten Milwaukee's future. If Milwaukee fails, the State of Wisconsin fails. If Milwaukee grows its tax base, the State of Wisconsin grows its tax collection. I am eager to work with fellow alders on an agenda to mitigate these threats, foster untapped opportunity, and directly address the concerns of the 1st District.

With over a decade of experience in government, I bring a breadth of knowledge and consensus building that makes me the best candidate for this position. My proven track record working effectively with both sides of the aisle will help usher in the solutions and support we need to move the 1st District and the City of Milwaukee forward. I've had the pleasure of serving much of the 1st District in my capacity as a State Representative, and I am once again asking residents for their votes on February 21st and April 4th. One of my favorite things about serving Milwaukee is having the opportunity to meet directly with its residents. I have already had a chance to meet with hundreds of 1st District residents, and I look forward to continuing to do so throughout this race."

State Rep. David Bowen, a native and longtime public servant for Milwaukee, is a resident and home owner in the 1st District's historic Rufus King Neighborhood.

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