



## Chamber Endorses 10 in Legislative Races

*Metro North business group selects candidates most likely to help the region thrive*

WESTMINSTER, Colo. (Sept. 7, 2018) -- The Metro North Chamber of Commerce (MNCC) has chosen 10 legislative candidates worthy of the organization's endorsement in this fall's elections, all based on the candidates' potential to help the state and region thrive.

After conducting extensive interviews and reviewing candidates' past performances, the Chamber decided to endorse five incumbents among other candidates who are looking to fill a seat. The Chamber used a nonpartisan panel to make the choices regardless of the candidates' political affiliation.

"We have a great pool of political talent in the Metro North area, and that's a double-edged sword that makes the Chamber's job more difficult when it comes to endorsing one candidate over the other," said MNCC President Gregg Moss. "The Chamber's leadership based its decisions on who we thought would have the most potential to keep the state and especially the Metro North area on a path toward economic and social well-being."

### **The endorsements are as follows:**

House District 27, Republican Vicki Pyne	House District 29, Democrat Tracy Kraft-Tharp
House District 30, Democrat Dafna Michaelson-Jenet	House District 31, Democrat Yadira Caraveo
House District 32, Democrat Adrienne Benavidez	House District 33, Democrat Matthew Gray
House District 34, Democrat Kyle Mullica	House District 25, Democrat Shannon Bird
House District 56, Republican Rod Bockenfield	House District 63, Republican Lori Saine

In the race for Senate District 24 between Faith Winter (D) and incumbent Beth Martinez-Humenik (R), the Chamber chose to endorse BOTH candidates, based on how strongly those candidates have supported the Chamber's efforts over the years.

"We are pleased to make these recommendations to voters in the 12-city area covered by the Metro North Chamber," Moss said. "We look forward to working with the candidates in the legislature, in hopes that they will embrace the Chamber's mission and legislative agenda for 2019." The Chamber encourages voters to use their own measuring tools in deciding how to vote in all races.

The Metro North Chamber thanks the candidates for their willingness to meet with the Metro North Chamber Business and Government Affairs Committee and share their views on the issues that are most likely to become topics for bills in the 2019 legislative session.

### About the Metro North Chamber of Commerce

Established in 1959, the Metro North Chamber of Commerce is the premier business representative for the Metro North region representing 600+ businesses in Arvada, Brighton, Broomfield, Commerce City, Dacono, Erie, Federal Heights, Firestone, Frederick, Northglenn, Thornton and Westminster. One of the main priorities of the Chamber is to support businesses in the region by giving them a way to make themselves heard by government officials at the local and state levels. The Chamber provides opportunities to help businesses grow and develop; and the Chamber is committed to bringing businesses, educators, non-profits and government agencies together to speak with one unified voice to promote the economic vitality of the Metro North area. For more information about the Metro North Chamber of Commerce visit [www.MetroNorthChamber.com](http://www.MetroNorthChamber.com) or call 303-288-1000.

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