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Wake County Democratic Party Announces 2024 Nonpartisan Endorsements

The Wake County Democratic Party Executive Council is pleased to announce our Fall 2024 Nonpartisan Candidate Endorsements. These endorsements have taken place **every year** since 2011, as most municipal elections are in odd years.

Following WCDP's rigorous and normed nonpartisan endorsement process, WCDP has endorsed one candidate for all 14 possible seats. This endorsement process includes initial outreach and information gathering, vetting, candidate questionnaires*, group interviews, stakeholder comments, and deliberation among the executive council members. 26 of 26 registered Democrats running for a nonpartisan seat began the process; 25 completed it. *Candidate questionnaire responses are published on our WakeDems.org/electioncentral page.

Per North Carolina Democratic Party bylaws, only Democrats were considered.

All candidates who completed this process were contacted by phone on Sunday, August 18 with results. Candidates who were not offered an endorsement will be provided a campaign resource list and general support from the Wake Dems Chair. Candidates who were offered an endorsement reviewed and signed the ***WCDP Candidate Expectations Form***, agreeing to work toward the policies set forth in the NCDP Platform, making their endorsement official.

- **WCDP's Endorsed Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisor Candidate is** Reese Wamsley.
- **WCDP's Endorsed Wake County School Board Candidates are** Jordyne Blaise (District 3); Toshiba Rice (District 4); Lynn Edmonds (District 5); Sam Hershey (District 6); and Lindsay Mahaffey (District 8).
- **WCDP's Endorsed Raleigh City Candidates are** Janet Cowell (Mayor); Jonathan Melton and Stormie Forte (At Large, 2 seats); Mitchell Silver (District A); Megan Patton (District B); Tolulope Omokaiye (District C); Jane Harrison (District D); and Christina Jones (District E).

We thank all of the intrepid candidates who have stepped forward to run this year for participating in this process.

~WCDP Executive Council

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