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The citizens of Indiana will once again have the opportunity to participate in the most important right an American citizen has – their right to vote. And come the first Tuesday in May, I hope you join me in voting for Mike Karickhoff for State Representative to represent Indiana’s District 30. The state of Indiana – in fact the entire nation – is in need of solid leaders who serve their constituents with heart, integrity and an understanding of how to be fiscally responsible. Mike Karickhoff is that man!

As an Eagle Scout, Mike demonstrated early on his leadership abilities. His natural leadership instincts continued as he progressed from Jaycee of the Year to Director of the Kokomo Park’s Department, and President of the Kokomo City Council to Ivy Tech Community College Region 5 Facilities Director. He is a go-getter who cares about his community – our community. I have known Mike as a civic leader, youth sports volunteer, a Kiwanian and a politician, and never have I doubted his abilities to lead our great city. I am proud to call him my city councilman – and my friend.

Mike has said that his service to the community is about our issues, not his issues. That is why his leadership style includes keeping an ear to the ground, listening to what the citizens have on their minds. Right now, one of our issues is tax reform. Thankfully, Mike says he will lead the discussion on tax reform and look at property tax caps and sales tax increases. He also believes public discussion is needed to start the process of streamlining our government and local and state services – this is a fiscally responsible move and one I am thankful Mike believes in.

For all this and more – to include his strong family and Christian values – I endorse Mike Karickhoff to be the next District 30 representative in the Indiana State House. Help send Mike to Indy – we need him!

Sincerely,

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