

HOUSE SPEAKER
MELVIN NEUFELD



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Dear Editor,

For the past three years it's been my honor to serve with Representative Pat George in the House of Representatives where he is highly regarded as a model legislator. He's stood up not only for you as citizens in his district, but for all Kansans. Representative George is an influential member who consistently plays a key role in crafting meaningful public policy and is well liked and respected by colleagues. He has proved to be a dedicated public servant for the 119th district, and truly one of the most impressive members of our body.

During campaign season, you'll hear plenty of promises, rhetoric, and political spin. The easiest way to find the bottom line in any election is to look for proven results. In the time that he's been here, Pat has worked for results and his record proves it.

Most recently, Rep. George served as Chairman of the State Employee Pay Plan Committee that crafted critical legislation modernizing the way we pay our 40,000 state workers. This major legislative accomplishment will enable Kansas to remain competitive in recruiting and retaining the most talented workers available. This serves not only those who directly benefited from the passage of this legislation, but the entire populace of Kansas who can now be assured that our state agencies are competing for top quality professionals.

He was a staunch supporter of the Holcomb energy proposal. This legislation would have protected rural utility rate payers and solidified Kansas as a national trendsetter in clean coal technology while establishing the infrastructure to make wind energy a viable and marketable option for Kansans.

Representative George has worked tirelessly to protect our most vulnerable citizens though his dedication to protect our unborn children as well as those children afflicted with Autism, and other newborn birth defects. Through this work, Kansas passed legislation expanding the number of mandatory newborn illnesses screenings.

Our state is at an important point in our history. We must have results-oriented leaders driving our policy discussions. Pat George will serve as a steadfast advocate not only for the 119th district, but for all Kansas. I encourage you to keep this in mind as you head to the polls in November and remember that results speak louder than words. When it comes to finding real solutions for his constituents, Representative George is the clear choice for proven leadership, which is why I'm proud to endorse his candidacy.

Sincerely,

Rep. Melvin Neufeld
Speaker
Kansas House of Representatives