

**THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN
CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS
For the June 2, 2026 Direct Primary Election**

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PAID CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE OF: US REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 1 (Full Term)

Name: Mike McGuire

Occupation: California State Senator

Donald Trump is shredding our Democracy, terrorizing our communities, and making life more expensive – all while enriching his billionaire friends. In Congress, I'll defend California, stand up for our Democracy, hold ICE accountable, repeal trillions in tax cuts for billionaires, fight for Healthcare for All, guarantee reproductive rights, and always stand up to Donald Trump.

That's exactly what I've done as Senator and President of the State Senate. When Trump took healthcare away from working families, I took decisive action to keep rural hospitals and Planned Parenthood centers open. We created hundreds of additional mental health beds in Northern California and led the charge for Healthcare for All– to guarantee healthcare coverage for every Californian.

Proudly raised on a small family farm by my mom and grandma, I became the first rural Democrat to lead the State Senate in more than a century. I've gone to the mat for our communities – expanding rural healthcare, building out rural broadband, making record investments in our public schools, raising wages, and growing rural jobs.

No one works harder to make our state more wildfire safe. I've led the way, doubling the number of CalFire firefighters, investing in record number of fire prevention projects, putting more fire engines on the road, and adding additional firefighting aircraft in the sky.

Please join our people-driven campaign endorsed by the California Democratic Party, California firefighters, teachers and nurses, Governor Gavin Newsom and Nancy Pelosi. I would be honored to earn your vote.
VoteMikeMcGuire.com.

/s/ Mike McGuire

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE OF: US REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 1 (Full term)

Name: Audrey Denney **Age:** 42

Occupation: Educator/Non Profit Consultant

Foreign wars raging. Rogue ICE agents. Healthcare costs rising. Trips to the grocery store and gas station unaffordable. This election is too important to hand over to politicians who use public office to help themselves. For too long, we have been represented by self-interested politicians who protect their careers, cater to wealthy donors, and look out for the powerful. Meanwhile, corporations and billionaires tighten their grip on Washington, and working people get squeezed. I'm running for Congress to change that.

I refuse corporate PAC money because I believe your voice, not lobbyists' checks, should guide decisions in Congress. I will fight to lower everyday costs, protect Social Security and Medicare, defend veterans' benefits, and stand up to corporate greed that rigs the system against working families. I will also stand up to Trump and his politics of fear and cruelty. That means stopping reckless wars, opposing illegal ICE tactics that tear families apart, and defending our democracy against corruption. No one should use public office to enrich themselves or hoard power. Leadership is about service, not self-dealing.

I've spent my career as an educator and community leader working alongside the people of Northern California. I'm not running to help the powerful. I'm running to fight for us. This moment demands courage and honesty. It demands someone on your side, who answers to you. We deserve a representative who puts people over power, service over ambition, and integrity over insider deals. As your Congresswoman, that's what I'll deliver.

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/s/ Audrey Denney

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF: STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1

Name: Heather Hadwick **Age:** 46

Occupation: Assemblywoman

As your Assemblywoman and a former emergency manager, I have seen firsthand how Sacramento too often ignores rural California. Families in the North State work hard, play by the rules, and still get left behind. I ran for office to change that, and I fight every day to make sure our region is heard, respected, and treated fairly.

In my first year in office, I delivered real results by securing more than one point four billion dollars in state funding for wildfire recovery, rural infrastructure, and essential community services across our district, including critical assistance for ranching families who suffered devastating livestock losses.

As a former school board president, teacher, and mom, I am fighting to get schools back to basics by keeping political agendas out of classrooms so students can focus on reading, writing, and math. Parents deserve a voice, and local school boards, not Sacramento politicians, should govern our schools.

I am Pro Life, Pro Second Amendment, Pro Property Rights, and Pro Parental Rights. I am endorsed by Senator Megan Dahle, California Professional Firefighters, and the California Association of Highway Patrolmen. To see a full list of endorsements, visit www.votehadwick.com

/s/ Heather Hadwick

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR :
CITY OF SUSANVILLE
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL**

Name: Gerry S Hibbitts

Occupation: Retired Correctional Officer/Bus Driver

My family and I moved to the Susanville area in 1995, when I began my career with the California Department of Corrections. I worked as a Correctional Officer at High Desert State Prison until my retirement in 2017. My wife and I owned and operated a Martial Arts School in Susanville from 2010 to 2020, where I had the honor of teaching many local children, adults, and families. I have been a Commercial Bus Driver for Lassen Rural Bus since 2020, providing safe transportation to our local citizens and visitors to our city.

If I am elected to the Susanville City Council, one of my goals is to work with our local Law Enforcement to improve the safety of our river walk trail. I, like all of you, want our river walk trail to be a safe place for our families to enjoy the natural beauty of our area. Safe from the many hazards it now presents.

I would like to ask for your support and thank those of you who cast your vote for me.

Sincerely,
Gerry S Hibbitts

/s/ Gerry Hibbitts

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR:
CITY OF SUSANVILLE
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL**

Name: Mendy Schuster

Occupation: Mayor of Susanville

Serving my hometown as a councilmember and twice as mayor has been an honor. I am humbled by the privilege. I have worked hard to provide stable leadership, transparency and fiscal responsibility.

There is still important work ahead. I am dedicated to seeing our local economy strengthen, finding ways to improve our essential services and making sure Susanville remains a safe place to live and raise a family.

I was born and raised in Susanville. At 18 years-old, I was diagnosed with cancer. The prayers and support from the Susanville community were overwhelming. I am forever grateful and appreciate the opportunity to give back to my hometown.

Prior to retiring, I worked at Lassen Community College and Lassen High School.

My grandchildren are the sixth generation of my family to have a Susanville address.

I would appreciate your vote so I can continue serving our community with integrity and dedication.

Susanville's successful future is my priority.

/s/ Mendy Schuster