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**RELEASE: Des Moines leaders blast Josh Mandelbaum's false TV ad**

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CONTACT: [sam@pathtovictory.com](mailto:sam@pathtovictory.com)**Des Moines leaders blast Josh Mandelbaum's false TV ad**

*Councilwoman Connie Boesen supports reproductive care and has been a champion for Des Moines women and girls*

DES MOINES, Iowa – Josh Mandelbaum has continued an offensive and false attack against Councilwoman Connie Boesen with a new TV ad that began airing today. While Boesen has been clear about her support for abortion rights, and has continued to advocate for additional protections at the state and federal level, Mandelbaum would rather mislead voters.

Des Moines leaders are blasting Mandelbaum's latest attack and highlighting the truth about Connie Boesen's support for women:

**Dr. Andy McGuire:** "Connie Boesen has spent her career supporting women and girls in Des Moines, and we've always been able to count on her to get things done. Anyone who suggests she doesn't support access to abortion rights isn't telling the truth. For those of us who have spent decades advocating for

reproductive rights, it's troubling that any candidate would resort to using false information like this to score political points. I'm proud to stand with Connie because she has the experience, determination, and integrity to lead our city."

**Broadlawn Board of Trustees Member Emily Webb:** "As a new mom, I'm proud to support Connie Boesen because I know she will always stand up for women in Des Moines. Connie supports a woman's right to choose and knows firsthand how personal and difficult reproductive healthcare decisions can be. As mayor, I trust Connie to do everything in her power to advocate for reproductive care and I know she's on our side. Josh Mandelbaum's refusal to tell the truth about Connie's position on abortion is wrong and it's not what the people of Des Moines deserve. Anyone running for mayor should realize how inappropriate it is to spread false information on an issue this personal and important for women in our city."

**Supervisor Angela Connolly:** "Connie has always worked collaboratively with partners within the community and state to get things done. We need a mayor of Des Moines who knows how to bring people together, not someone who believes misleading political attacks are the only way to get ahead. Josh Mandelbaum should be ashamed. Connie has always been an advocate for women in Des Moines and she will continue to do anything that's within her power to advocate for and protect access to reproductive care."

**Community Leader Susan Voss:** "Connie has spent decades making Des Moines a better place to live and work. She has supported our public schools, invested in programs to support women and girls succeed, and worked to revitalize our neighborhoods and downtown. We need Connie's experience and determination in the mayor's office, and it's about time Des Moines elected a woman as our mayor. These attacks on Connie's integrity and deliberate misinformation on where she stands need to stop. Connie has always supported access to reproductive rights and we trust her to do anything within her power to bring the change we need to our state."

**Former Iowa Rep. Marti Anderson:** "I appreciate Connie Boesen's persistence, passion, and ability to bring people together to get things done. Josh Mandelbaum's misinformation campaign regarding Connie's support for reproductive rights is wrong. Connie has been a strong supporter of reproductive rights and choice for the 20 years I have known her. A mayor must be a strong advocate for our city and work to change state laws to benefit people, including protection of reproductive rights. Connie Boesen will deliver the results we deserve."

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