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Wahls endorsed by dozens of Democrats, Republicans, and Independents

Coralville, Iowa – Today, Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Zach Wahls released his first endorsements of the campaign. The list includes over 45 local Democrats, Republicans, and Independents, community leaders, elected officials, labor leaders, faith leaders, farmers, and law enforcement officials.

"Iowans are working hard but aren't getting ahead, and I'm ready to fight for the change that Iowans need," **said State Senator Zach Wahls**. "We need to lower costs and make it easier for folks to get ahead, and I'm proud of the broad coalition we're building to deliver the change Iowans deserve."

"Zach Wahls represents a new generation of leadership and has already shown he's able to tackle the challenges facing Iowa families with courage and integrity," **said State Senator Liz Bennett (D-Cedar Rapids)**. "He's the strongest candidate to defeat Joni Ernst and bring back a common-sense approach to making Iowans' lives better."

"Zach has never been afraid to take on powerful special interests, whether it's fighting corporate greed or banning insider trading in politics," **said State Representative, Eastern Iowa Labor Leader, and Member of Heat and Frost Insulators Local 81, Dan Gosa**. "Iowans need a champion for working people to take on corruption in Washington, and Zach is the best candidate to beat Joni Ernst and deliver for Iowa families."

"Zach Wahls fights for us. Whether it's lowering costs, protecting Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid, or standing up for Iowa's first responders," **said Council Bluffs City Councilman and retired Iowa Fire Fighter Steve Gorman**. "He's the strongest candidate to defeat Joni Ernst and actually make life better for hardworking Iowans."

The complete list of initial endorsers is below:

Dave Loeb sack, Fmr. Congressman
 Patty Judge, Fmr. Lt. Governor
 Matt Blake, State Senator (Urbandale)
 Liz Bennett, State Senator (Cedar Rapids)
 Izaah Knox, State Senator (Des Moines)
 Jim Lykam, Fmr. State Senator (Davenport)
 Jean Lloyd-Jones, Fmr. State Senator (Iowa City)
 Liz Mathis, Fmr. State Senator (Cedar Rapids)
 Ken Croken, State Representative (Davenport)
 Dan Gosa, State Representative (Davenport)
 Dick Myers, Fmr. State Representative (Coralville)
 Brad Kunkel, Johnson County Sheriff
 Julie Persons, Johnson County Auditor
 Rod Sullivan, Johnson County Supervisor

Rachel Zimmerman Smith, Johnson County Attorney
Elijah Stines, Boone Mayor
Chris Hoffman, North Liberty Mayor
Matt Mohrfield, Fort Madison Mayor
Steve Gorman, Council Bluffs City Council
Mike Kundson, Coralville City Council
Rob Nichols, Waterloo City Council
Royce Peterson, Coralville City Council and Financial Secretary for Carpenters Local 1260
Dale Todd, Cedar Rapids City Council
Ashley Vanorney, Cedar Rapids City Council
Gary Berkland, Belmont-Klemme School Board President
Charlie Eastham, Iowa City Community School Board Member
Mitch Lingo, Iowa City School Board Member
Rebecca Bowker, Fmr. Fort Madison City Council
Howard Dean, Fmr. DNC Chairman
Tim Dwight, Fmr. Hawkeye Football Player and Community Leader
Candy Evans, Community Advocate
Bill Gerhard, Past President Iowa State Building & Construction Trades Council
Chris Gorman, ISEA Member and Community Leader
Sam Groark, Central Iowa Building Trades Advocate
Mitch Gross, Fmr. Coralville Mayor Pro Tem and Fmr. Iowa City Area Education Co-President
Dan Gutmann, Fmr. Urbandale School Board Member
Greg Hearn, Fmr. Iowa City Federation of Labor President
Pat Heiden, Fmr. Johnson County Supervisor
Stephen Hemingway, Fmr. West Branch School Board Member
Matt Lienen, Business Manager and FST - Plumbers and Pipefitters UA Local 25
Diana Lundell, Fmr. Coralville City Council
John Lundell, Fmr. Coralville Mayor
Rev. Dr. Mark Pries, Community & Faith Leader
Mike Quinlan, Fmr. West Branch Mayor
Andy Roberts, Business Manager - Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 33
Mike Sadler, Business Manager - Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 125
Stacy Weber, Fmr. Lee County Sheriff

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