Dave Loebsack: Standing Up for All Iowans

15 things Dave has done to move Iowa forward

- 1. **Bringing good-paying jobs into Iowa** Dave is working to build things in America again. Dave secured the passage of portions of his SECTORS bill as part of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. SECTORS uses Iowa community colleges and local industry as models for how to create and retain good-paying jobs in rural areas while growing local industry. He is expanding on this work with his recent New Jobs training Act, which helps close the skills gap by connecting community colleges and local businesses to create training programs.
- 2. **Fighting for Iowa's renewable industries to promote homegrown energy** Dave understands the economic development possibilities for Iowa's renewable energy industry are endless. This is why he has supported and fought for greater exploration and development of renewable energy sources and has worked with his colleagues to pass increased federal investment in renewable energy.
- 3. Lowering the tax burden on hard working families and small businesses Dave has introduced commonsense legislation to allow working and middle class Iowans to keep their tax cuts, while protecting small businesses and family farms.
- 4. **Standing up for our Troops and Veterans** With his own children serving in the Marines, Dave is dedicated to doing all that he can to help our servicemembers and veterans, including making sure that they have the equipment and training they need to safely complete their missions and the benefits, care, and civilian jobs they deserve when they get home. He's fought for the National Guard on many fronts including education, mental health care, benefits, and stopping cuts to the Iowa National Guard.
- 5. Cleaning Up Washington Dave is working to hold Congress accountable and clean up Washington. He co-introduced legislation to cut Members of Congress' pay for the first time since the Great Depression; he's pledged never to become a lobbyist and is working to stop the revolving door between Congress and lobby shops; he's pushed to stop Members of Congress' pay if a budget isn't passed on time; and he has introduced legislation to require greater disclosure of travel taken by Members of Congress.
- 6. **Connecting rural communities** Dave has been fighting to make sure that rural communities have the same broadband access as urban communities. In an increasingly connected world, broadband is no longer a luxury, but a necessity to compete in the 21st century.
- 7. **Working to grow the economy for all Iowans** Dave believes that creating jobs is not a partisan issue. He has worked across the aisle to promote legislation that increases American manufacturing, invests in infrastructure, provides tax cuts for Iowa industries, and benefits Iowa farmers.
- 8. **Cracking down on corporations that ship jobs overseas** Dave is also committed to cracking down on corporation that ship jobs overseas and use offshore accounts to create tax loopholes.
- 9. **Standing up for Iowa families** Dave will always stand up for what's right. That includes fighting for everyday Iowans and working on common-sense, practical solutions for Iowa.
- 10. **Ensuring access to the same quality of health care** Dave wants each and every Iowan to have the same health care coverage that he does as a Member of Congress. He is committed to ensuring that the Affordable Care Act works for Iowa families.

- 11. **Improving rural health care accessibility** Dave introduced a bill that was signed into law that makes it easier for Critical Access Hospitals to provide care in our rural communities. He is committed to ensuring that Iowans have access to high-quality, affordable health care no matter where they live.
- 12. **Strengthening the Rock Island Arsenal** Dave knows the Rock Island Arsenal is critical to the Quad Cities and our national security. He's worked on a bipartisan basis to strengthen the Arsenal, support the good jobs there, and ensure it remains a central piece of economic development in the Quad Cities for years to come.
- 13. **Increasing College Access** Dave grew up in poverty and without a good education and community support, he would not be where he is today. That's why he is so proud to have written a student aid bill that increases the maximum Pell Grant and keeps interest rates low on subsidized federal student loans all at no additional cost to the taxpayer. He also led the charge in keeping interest rates low on student loans for Iowa's families.
- 14. **Enhancing Pell Grants** Dave is working to reinstate year-round Pell so that part-time students who are working and attending classes or going back to school and have other commitments can still access aid to help them attain additional education. He also supports legislation to increase the maximum Pell Grant award by \$4040, making the new maximum award \$8,900.
- 15. **Addressing rising deficits** As a father and grandfather, Dave knows how important it is that we address our rising deficit. That's why he supports a congressional pay cut. This would be the first pay cut since 1933. Dave knows that just like Iowa families are tightening their belts, Members of Congress should too.