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Statement on Primary Victory

Cuba City, WI... After a compelling victory in Tuesday's primary election, Republican challenger for the 49th Assembly District Travis Tranel says he is grateful to the voters who turned out to the polls to support him. He also says he is thankful to his primary opponent, David Kuhle, for running a hard fought race that brought attention to the Conservative values of limited government and lower state spending and taxing.

"My opponent ran an impressive race and at the end of the day I am glad that we had the primary," said Tranel. "It created a venue for Mr. Kuhle and I to communicate with the voters about the issues that really matter - stopping out of control government spending, lowering taxes, and bringing jobs to Southwest, WI."

Tranel says he will transition his campaign to focus on his opponent for the general election, Rep. Phil Garthwaite. He says he hopes to run a positive campaign to educate the voters about Rep. Garthwaite's voting record in Madison.

"Rep. Garthwaite is a well meaning guy but he's fallen in with the big government, tax and spend crowd that runs Washington and Madison," said Tranel. "I will contrast my pro-jobs agenda with his record of voting for spending increases, burdensome regulation and tax hikes."

"This November the Voters will have a very clear choice," said Tranel. "I oppose increasing taxes on working families and employers and Rep. Garthwaite voted to increase taxes by \$4.77 billion over the last two years. I support limiting government spending while Rep. Garthwaite voted for a 10% spending increase in the last budget that left Wisconsin \$2.7 billion in debt. Rep. Garthwaite and I both believe in supporting our schools but when it came time to vote in Madison, he stuck with his party and voted to cut aid to rural school districts like Cassville by as much as 15% while only cutting Democrat Milwaukee by less than 1%."

The 49th Assembly District includes Grant County and parts of Richland, Iowa, and Lafayette Counties. The General Election will be held on November 2nd.

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