



## 2018 Michigan Midterm Election Overview

*Prepared by Dykema*

In the Midterm Election, voters sent Democrat Gretchen Whitmer to the governor's office—with record midterm turnout across the state. Oakland and Kent Counties proved to be the difference in the Governor's race and also carrying in Dana Nessel as the next Attorney General and Jocelyn Benson as the next Secretary of State.

In legislative races, Democrats picked up several seats in suburban areas but fell short of taking control of the House and Senate. However, after eight years of total Republican control, Michigan will return to divided government with a Democratic Governor and a Republican legislature.

Michigan will see tremendous change in 2019: In addition to electing a new governor, attorney general and secretary of state there will be more than 70 new legislators, in addition to new committee chairs and legislative leadership. Republican Senator Mike Shirkey is expected to be selected by his caucus to become the Senate Majority Leader and Republican Representative Lee Chatfield is expected to be elected by his caucus to become the next Speaker of the House. Senator Jim Ananich is expected to remain the Senate Minority leader while the House Minority Leader position remains a close contest between Democratic Representatives Brian Elder and Christine Greig.

All three ballot proposals were successful. Returns show that Justice Beth Clement has been re-elected and that Megan Cavanagh is expected to oust Justice Kurtis Willder.

Please find below a summary of outcomes in what were considered the most competitive districts in the state.

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### Lay of the Land

#### Winds of Change

Term limits in Michigan will foist another transformative change upon the Michigan political landscape. Over two-thirds of the Michigan Senate incumbents and nearly one-half of the House incumbents are unable to serve another term, leaving vacancies in countless battleground districts.

This mass exodus of incumbent lawmakers coupled with the midterm of one of the most controversial presidents in modern times proved to be too challenging of a setting for Republicans to retain their 8-year absolute dominance over state government. Republicans will now turn over the governor's office, office of the Attorney General and Secretary of State. Republicans maintained majorities in the House and Senate, though margins tightened significantly.

#### A Michigan Historical Political Perspective

Not only was the current political environment challenging for Republicans, a look back in recent history further illustrates the challenge Republicans faced with a President of the same party occupying the White House in the midterm election. Three of the last four Michigan governors won their elections despite—or perhaps because of—the opposing party occupying the nation's highest office.

President Ronald Reagan (R): 1982 Governor Jim Blanchard (D)  
President George H.W. Bush (R): 1990 Governor John Engler (R)

President George W. Bush (R): 2002 Jennifer Granholm (D)  
President Barack Obama (D): 2010 Rick Snyder (R)  
President Donald Trump (R): 2018 Gretchen Whitmer (D)

Furthermore, you would have to go back to 1960 when a party was able to pass the Governor's office to a Governor of the same party in a general election.

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## Federal

U.S. Senate: Senator Debbie Stabenow won her re-election against veteran John James, in a closer-than-expected race.

Here are the results for congressional races of interest:

- CD 1: Congressman Jack Bergman (R) re-elected
- CD 8: Newcomer Elissa Slotkin (D) defeated Congressman Mike Bishop (R)
- CD 9: Andy Levin (D) officially elected to replace his father, Congressman Sandy Levin
- CD 11: Obama appointee Haley Stevens (D) defeats Lena Epstein (R), flipping this seat from red to blue
- CD 13: Voters officially send former state representative Rashida Tlaib to Congress--making her the first Muslim woman to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives

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## Statewide

### **Governor: Democrat Gretchen Whitmer claims "wire to wire" victory**

Former Senate Minority Leader Gretchen Whitmer rode a wave record high mid-term voter turnout and an energized Democratic voting base to a convincing win over Attorney General Bill Schuette in Michigan's 2018 Gubernatorial election. The victory reflected what most statewide polling had been saying since the Whitmer campaign fought off the insurgent campaign of progressive candidate Abdul El-Sayed in the August Democratic primary. Whitmer's campaign slogan of "fix the damn roads" resonated with Michigan voters.

The estimated \$75 million dollar 2018 campaign represents the 2nd most expensive in Michigan history eclipsed only by the 2006 race between then Governor Jennifer Granholm and Businessman Dick DeVos. Governor-Elect Whitmer now begins the transition work of identifying potential cabinet members, hiring staff at all levels, and establishing policy priorities and platforms all before being sworn in as Michigan's 49th Governor on January 1, 2019.

### **Secretary of State**

*"30 minute guarantee" propels Jocelyn Benson to SOS victory*

Democrat Jocelyn Benson will be Michigan's next Secretary of State having defeated Republican Mary Treder-Lang for the often overlooked but key statewide elected office. Benson, the former Dean of the Wayne State College of Law, had significant advantages in both name ID and in campaign spending over Treder-Lang, an accountant from Grosse Pointe and a member of the EMU Board of Trustees. Benson carried those advantages to a nine-point victory. This was Benson's second attempt to win the position having lost to Republican Ruth Johnson in the closely contested 2010 general. Secretary-elect Benson made 30 minute service guarantee, "No Reason" absentee voting, and election integrity the key issues of the campaign.

## Attorney General

### *Nessel defeats Leonard in polar opposites race for Attorney General*

The race for Michigan's next Attorney General could not have featured a more stark contrast between two candidates in this year's mid-term election. Gretchen Whitmer and Bill Schuette found common ground on eliminating the pension tax. Jocelyn Benson and Mary Treder-Lang had common ground on wait times at SOS branch offices! However, Speaker Tom Leonard and former Wayne County Prosecutor Dana Nessel couldn't seem to agree on anything during one of the most personally-charged, attack-oriented campaigns for Michigan Attorney General in Michigan history.

In the end, however, Nessel was able to ride a strong Democratic year to victory, although the race was the tightest among the statewide races. From the outset, the two candidates articulated different visions for the role of the AG. Nessel, a self-described "activist lawyer" focused her campaign on consumer protections, suing and shutting down Enbridge's Line 5, and a staunch defender of women's rights. Leonard, who described himself as wanting to be a "rule of law" AG focused his campaign on protecting vulnerable seniors, and addressing the mental health system. However, none of Leonard's messaging was able to break through the polling lead that Nessel seemed to enjoy from the time of her stunning democratic convention victory through to her general election victory.

## Ballot Proposals

### *Voters adopt recreational marijuana proposal*

As proof of the Michigan electorate's relaxing views surrounding the use of marijuana, Proposal 1, which seeks to regulate the drug in a similar fashion to alcohol, passed on Tuesday night. The far-reaching proposal allows anyone 21 or older to use, possess, grow and/or sell varying levels of the marijuana. It also establishes a licensing, taxation and distribution system. Smoking would be prohibited in public and employers, landlords and property owners could still prohibit its use on private property. Operating a vehicle under the influence of marijuana would also remain illegal.

Questions still remain about how the passage of Proposal 1 will be impacted by pressure at the federal level on states to continue to clamp down on marijuana use by the Trump Administration and U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions. Michigan becomes the 11th state to adopt a recreational marijuana proposal.

### *Redistricting proposal gets voter approval*

For years in Michigan, the political party that was in control when the 10 year census came around also controlled the ability to draw the district boundaries. That all changed on Tuesday with the passage of Proposal 2. Brought forth by a volunteer-driven group called Voters Not Politicians. Proposal 2 will create a 13-member commission made up of 4 democrats, 4 republican and 5 independents as selected from a pool of eligible persons by the Michigan Secretary of State. The proposal's backers spent an estimated \$15 million dollars, advertising nearly an 8-1 advantage over opponents. The end result was a convincing victory for Prop 2.

### *Voting reform proposal passes easily*

Proposal 3 didn't seem to generate the same political firestorms as the two proposals, and voters showed their support for it on election night. Proposal 3, known as the Voting Rights Ballot Initiative will allow for:

- No reason absentee voting
- Automatic Voter Registration upon issuance of state ID or driver's license
- Straight ticket voting

- Same day in-person voter registration.

Proposal 3 was only really a point of contention/debate among the candidates for Michigan Secretary of State, however, it passed easily on election night.

## State Senate

All 38 seats in the State Senate were up for election this year. Thirty districts will have a new senator beginning January 1, 2019, with 8 incumbents returning to the Senate. Republicans maintained a 22-16 majority, with Democrats gaining 5 seats. Former Rep. Jon Bumstead is expected to win in SD 34 (Muskegon), but the race remains too close to call. Here are the results for the most competitive senate races:

- SD 7 (held by term-limited Sen. Patrick Colbeck): Dayna Polehanki. defeated current Rep. Laura Cox (R)
- SD 10 (held by term-limited Sen. Tory Rocca): Mike MacDonald (R) defeated current Rep. Henry Yanez (D)
- SD 12 (held by term-limited Sen. Jim Marleau): Rosemary Bayer. defeated current Rep. Mike McCready (R)
- SD 13: Industrial designer Mallory McMorrow (D) defeated Sen. Marty Knollenberg(R)
- SD 15: (held by term-limited Mike Kowall): Current Rep. Jim Runestad (R) defeated Julia Pulver (D).
- SD 17: Sen. Dale Zorn (R) defeated former Rep. Bill LaVoy (D).
- SD 20: Former Rep. Sean McCann (D) defeated Sen. Margaret O'Brien (R)
- SD 24 (held by term-limited Sen. Rick Jones): Current Rep. Tom Barrett (R) defeated Kelly Rossman-McKinney (D).
- SD 29 (held by term-limited Sen. Dave Hildenbrand): Current Rep. Winnie Brinks(D) defeated Rep. Chris Afendoulis (R)
- SD 31 (held by term-limited Sen. Mike Green): Former Rep. Kevin Daley (R) defeated Bay County Clerk Cynthia Luczak (D)
- SD 32: Sen. Ken Horn (R) defeated Rep. Phil Phelps (D).
- SD 34 (held by term-limited Sen. Geoff Hansen): Poppy Sias-Hernandez (D) defeated former Rep. Jon Bumstead (R)
- SD 38 (held by term-limited Sen. Tom Casperson): Former Rep. Ed McBroom(R).defeated Rep. Scott Dianda (D)

### SD 7: Dayna Polehanki (D)

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Endorsements: Michigan Building and Construction Trades, Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters, Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Union Local 2, Iron Workers Local 25, Pipefitters/Steamfitters UA Local 636, Plumbers Local 98, Sheet Metal Workers Local 80, Roofers Union Local 149, Michigan Federation of College Democrats, AFSCME Council 25, UAW, Michigan AFL-CIO, Michigan Association for Justice, EMILY's List, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Michigan League of Conservation Voters (general election), Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan (general election)

Gender: Female

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Joseph James Walkup

Education: K-12 Michigan School Administrator Certification, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, 2017; Master in the Art of Teaching, Marygrove College, 2006; 6-12 Michigan Professional Educator Certification/English Major, Alma College, 2001; Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Central Michigan University, 1992.

Employment/Military Record: Data Coordinator/Teacher, New Haven Community Schools, New Haven, MI (2002 - present); Manager of Features Casting, Paramount Pictures, Los Angeles, CA (1995-1998).

**SD 10: Mike MacDonald (R)**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan (blanket endorsement), Michigan Freedom Network

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Laura Anne MacDonald

Education: Doctorate in Health Administration 2009-2015; University of Phoenix Master's in Business Administration 2005-2008; Oakland University Bachelor's in Exercise Science 2000-2004; Western Michigan University Transfer Scholarship 1998-2000; Macomb Community College De La Salle Collegiate High School 1994-1998

Employment/Military Record: Vice President of the Michigan Air Force Association 2018; Financial Representative, Northwestern Mutual 2015-2018; Personal Trainer Detroit Metropolitan YMCA 2008-2014; Exercise Physiologist Henry Ford Health System 2004-2007; Computer Technician Computer Dimensions 1998-2000

**SD 12: Rosemary Bayer (D)**

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Endorsements: Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan, AFSCME Council 25, Michigan AFL-CIO, Michigan Association for Justice, Sierra Club, Michigan Democratic Party Progressive Caucus, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan (general election)

Gender: Female

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: John Lisiecki

Children: Erin Mack

Education: Lawrence Technological University, School of Management, 2002-2003. Graduated with an MBA (Career Integrated, CIMBA) with Distinction in 2003 Central Michigan University, 1981-1983, Computer Science. Graduated with a BS in Computer Science with Math and Chemistry minors, degree in 1984

Employment/Military Record: ardentCause, 2009-present, Co-founder, CEO, Chief Inspiration Officer. ardentCause serves the nonprofit sector with affordable, state of the art data products and services. Through innovative products and business practices that demonstrate outcomes achieved and enable large scale collaborations, she and her team are improving the health of the community overall and creating lasting social impact

**SD 13: Mallory McMorrow (D)**

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Endorsements: Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan, AFSCME Council 25, Michigan AFL-CIO, Michigan Association for Justice, Sierra Club, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Michigan League of Conservation Voters (general election), Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan (general election)

Gender: Female

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Ray Wert

Education: University of Notre Dame South Bend, Indiana Bachelor of Arts - Industrial Design | August 2004 - August 2008

Employment/Military Record: Ginger Haus, Founder/Owner: Creative Consultancy | January 2016 - present (Provide industry expertise, design thinking and product planning consulting to companies such as Hyundai, Kia, Roadtrippers, local downtown development authority, yoga studio, and non-profits including Kadima, Write A House; Director of Creative Strategy | November 2013 - January 2016, Helped launch and lead LA-based experiential production company to over 10 Cannes Lions, AICP "Most Next," and AdAge Production Company A-List award in first two years

**SD 15: Jim Runestad (R)**

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Endorsements: Police Officers Association of Michigan, Right to Life of Michigan, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Association for Justice, Michigan Freedom Network, Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Citizens for Traditional Values, Michigan Realtors

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Kathy

Children: Joel, Justin, Lena, Lee and Kayla

Education: Bachelor's degree in Education with a concentration in History, Economics and Politics from Central Michigan University.

Employment/Military Record: Runestad Financial Associates, self-owned since 2004; member of the Oakland County Business Round Table

**SD 17: Dale Zorn (R)**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Detroit Regional Chamber PAC, Michigan Realtors, County Road Association of Michigan

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Cindy

Children: Jason, Holly, Kylie, Skylar

Education: Monroe County Community College - Business, Automotive Technology

Employment/Military Record: Zorn's Service Inc. since 1971

**SD 20: Sean McCann (D)**

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Endorsements: Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan, AFSCME Council 25, Michigan AFL-CIO, Michigan Association for Justice, Sierra Club, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Michigan League of Conservation Voters (general election), Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan (general election)

Gender: Male

Spouse: Priscilla

Children: Alexander and Lauren

Education: Bachelor's degree in political science from Western Michigan University.

Employment/Military Record: Small business owner

**SD 24: Tom Barrett (R)**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan (dual endorsement with Brett Roberts), Michigan Freedom Network, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Citizens for Traditional Values, Michigan Realtors

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Ashley

Children: Patrick and daughter

Education: Bachelors degree in Political Science, Western Michigan University

Employment/Military Record: 14 years of Army service, still serving. Currently an aviator in the National Guard assigned to B, 1-112, Grand Ledge. Trained and qualified on multiple aircraft including the UH-60 Blackhawk, the OH-58A Kiowa, and the LUH-72 Lakota. Multiple deployments/assignments: Iraq, Kuwait, Guantanamo Bay, and South Korea. Full time I currently work as an analyst in the state Treasurer's office.

**SD 29: Winnie Brinks (D)**

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Gender: Female

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Steve

Children: Olivia, Annalise, Emma

Education: Bachelor's degree in Spanish, Calvin College

Employment/Military Record: Executive director, One Way House, a community-based corrections agency; educator at Grand Rapids Christian Schools and Godfrey-Lee Public Schools, caseworker at The Source

**SD 31: Kevin Daley (R)**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan (dual endorsement with Gary Glenn), Michigan Farm Bureau, Friends of Corn PAC, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Detroit Regional Chamber PAC, Citizens for Traditional Values, County Road Association of Michigan

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Deborah

Children: Michael, Thomas, & Elizabeth

Education: Lapeer Senior High School

Employment/Military Record: Farm owner/operator, Daley Acres LLC

**SD 32: Ken Horn (R)**

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Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Veronica

Children: Kevin, Andrea

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Concordia University, Ann Arbor; currently obtaining Master's degree in Administrative Science, Saginaw Valley State University

Employment/Military Record: Owned Horn's Restaurant/Dead Creek Saloon in Frankenmuth for nearly 15 years; John R. Moore Green's in Detroit; Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn; General Motors Company in Flint; substitute teacher

**SD 38: Ed McBroom (R)**



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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan (blanket endorsement), Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Citizens for Traditional Values, Michigan Nurses Association

Gender: Male

Children: Three children

Education: Graduated from Norway High School; bachelor's degrees in Music Education and Social Studies Education from Northern Michigan University.

Employment/Military Record: Dairy farmer

## State House

All 110 seats in the State House were up for election this year. Republicans maintained majority, with 52 seats in the House. Democrats flipped 6 seats, but unexpectedly lost one in HD 110, netting a total of 52 seats. Please find below a summary of outcomes in MIRS News' Top 15 House Seats Most Likely to Flip

- HD 17: Rep. Joe Bellino (R) re-elected
- HD 19 (held by Rep. Laura Cox, who ran for Senate): Microbiologist Laurie Pohutsky (D)
- HD 20: Teacher Matt Koleszar (D)
- HD 38: Rep. Kathy Crawford (R) re-elected
- HD 39 (held by term-limited Rep. Klint Kesto): Attorney Ryan Berman (R).
- HD 40 (held by term-limited Rep. Mike McCready): Former State Department officialMari Manoogian (D)
- HD 41 (held by term-limited Rep. Martin Howyrlak): GM engineer Padma Kuppa (D).
- HD 51 (held by term-limited Rep. Joe Graves): Mike Mueller (R)
- HD 61: Rep. Brandt Iden (R) re-elected
- HD 62 (held by Rep. John Bizon, who ran for Senate): Attorney Jim Haadsma (D)
- HD 71 (held by Rep. Tom Barrett, who ran for Senate): Waverly School Board President Angela Witwer (D)
- HD 91 (held by term-limited Rep. Holly Hughes): Congressman Huizenga stafferGreg VanWoerkom (R).
- HD 98: (held by term-limited Rep. Gary Glenn): Annette Glenn (R)
- HD 99: Rep. Roger Hauck (R) re-elected
- HD 104: Rep. Larry Inman (R) re-elected
- HD 110 (held by term-limited Rep. Scott Dianda): Gregory Markkanen (R)

### HD 17: Rep. Joe Bellino

Rep. Bellino defeated his challenger, Michelle LaVoy.

### HD 19: Laurie Pohutsky

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Endorsements: Michigan Democratic Party Progressive Caucus

Marital Status: Married

Education: I attended Michigan State University from 2006-2010, where I received my Bachelor of Science in

microbiology.

Employment/Military Record: I have worked in both commercial and clinical labs, dealing with issues such as food safety and drug testing.

**HD 20: Matt Koleszar**

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Endorsements: AFSCME Council 25, UAW, Michigan Association for Justice, AFL-CIO, Sierra Club, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Michigan League of Conservation Voters (general election)

Marital Status: Married

Education: Saginaw Valley State University 2000-2006, BA Secondary Education - Social Studies/English; Eastern Michigan University, MA English Studies for Teachers

Employment/Military Record: Teacher, Airport Community Schools 9/5/2006 - Present

**HD 38: Rep. Cathy Crawford**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan, Michigan Farm Bureau AgriPac, County Road Association of Michigan, ABC of Michigan PAC, Great Lakes Education Project, Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Freedom Network, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Federation of Independent Business, Detroit Regional Chamber, Michigan Realtors

Marital Status: Married

Education: college classes...no degree

Employment/Military Record: City of Novi, retired after 27 years as Senior Citizen director; started small business, Kathy Crawford Communications; author of several books

**HD 39: Ryan Berman**

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Marital Status: Married

Education: Wayne State University Law School - 2004, J.D.; Oakland Police Academy - 2002 Reserve Police Academy graduate; Michigan State University - 2002, B.A. Psychology; Detroit County Day School - 1998 H.S. Diploma.

Employment/Military Record: Berman Law, 2005 - Present, Attorney and Counselor at Law; Defense LLC, President, 2013 - Present; Sylvan Lake Police Department - Reserve Police Officer - 2011 - Present; Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office - Special Prosecutor -2009; Oakland County Sheriff's Office - Special Deputy/Reserve - 2002 - 2007

**HD 40: Mari Manoogian**

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Marital Status: Single

Education: Ernest Seaholm High School, Class of 2010; Michigan State University, August 2010 - May 2010, international relations, international development, comparative politics; The George Washington University, August 2012 - May 2014, international affairs, security policy, Bachelor of Arts; The George Washington University, August 2014 - May 2017, global communication, public diplomacy, Master of Arts

Employment/Military Record: Intern for U.S. Rep. John Dingell at the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington, DC, from May 2012 to August 2012; Press and Public Diplomacy Intern at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations in New York, NY, from September 2013 to November 2013; Office Coordinator at the U.S. Department of State in Washington, DC, from June 2014 to August 2015; Digital Engagement Manager at the U.S. Department of State in Washington, DC, from August 2016 to June 2017

**HD 41: Padma Kuupa**

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Endorsements: AFSCME Council 25, Michigan Association for Justice, AFL-CIO, Sierra Club, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan, Michigan League of Conservation Voters (general election)

Marital Status: Married

Education: College: Regional Engineering College, Warangal (Now National Institute of Technology, Warangal)  
Years Attended: 1984-88

Community Activities: Current: Planning Commissioner, City of Troy

**HD 51: Mike Mueller**

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**HD 61: Rep. Brandt Iden**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Farm Bureau AgriPac, County Road Association of Michigan, ABC of Michigan PAC, Great Lakes Education Project, Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Freedom Network, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Federation of Independent Business, Detroit Regional Chamber, Michigan Realtors

Marital Status: Single

Education: Bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Economics, Kalamazoo College

Employment/Military Record: President, Identity Management and Consulting, Inc. (real estate management)

**HD 62: Jim Haadsma**

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Endorsements: AFSCME Council 25, Michigan Association for Justice, AFL-CIO, Sierra Club, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan

Marital Status: Not married

Education: Wayne State University Law School, JD; University of Denver, MA, partial course of study; Michigan State University, BA in English

Employment/Military Record: McCroskey Law PLC: worker's compensation law, Social Security disability law, 1987 to present; Legal Aid of Western Michigan (Muskegon), 1984-87

**HD 71: Angela Witwer**

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Marital Status: Married

Education: Northwood University Bachelors in Business Administration Business, Marketing

Employment/Military Record: Sparrow Health System, 22 years; Edge Partnerships, 10 years

**HD 91: Greg VanWoerkom**

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Marital Status: Married

Education: Bachelor's Degree Political Science/Public Administration - Calvin College (1998-2002) Master's Degree - George Washington University (2003-2004)

Employment/Military Record: Director of Public Policy for U.S. Representative Pete Hoekstra, District Director for U.S. Representative Bill Huizenga

Community Activities: School Board President of Western Michigan Christian High and Middle School Board Member of United Way of the Lakeshore Member of Muskegon Rotary Club

**HD 98: Annette Glenn**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan, ABC of Michigan PAC, Great Lakes Education Project, Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Freedom Network, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Citizens for Traditional Values

Marital Status: Married

Spouse: Rep. Gary Glenn

Education: Bachelors of Science in Public Administration, Boise State University, graduated 1987

Employment/Military Record: Staff, Dr. Lewis Williams, DDS Manager, Fairview Drive-In Theater Internship, Sen. Dane Watkins, Idaho State Senate Staff, Delta Dental Staff, Congressman Larry Craig, R-1st CD, Idaho Regional Coordinator, Steve Symms for U.S. Senate Campaign Manager, Chuck Lempesis for Lt. Governor Campaign Manager, Skip Smyser for State Supreme Court Campaign Manager, Rachel Gilbert for State Senate Campaign Manager, Gary Glenn for U.S. Senate Board of Directors, Marketing Research Foundation

**HD 99: Rep. Roger Hauck**

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Marital Status: Married

Education: Central Michigan University, two years, Accounting major

Employment/Military Record: Employee at Delfield for 24 years. Owner of Quality Housing, a company that builds and rents duplexes.

Governmental Leadership (Elected or Appointed):

**HD 104: Rep. Larry Inman**

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Endorsements: Right to Life of Michigan, Michigan Farm Bureau AgriPac, County Road Association of Michigan, ABC of Michigan PAC, Great Lakes Education Project, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Detroit Regional Chamber

Marital Status: Unmarried

Education: Associate's degree, Northwestern Michigan College;  
Bachelor's degree, Northern Michigan University

Employment/Military Record: Retired vice president of Huntington National Bank in Traverse City

**HD 110: Gregory Markkanen**

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Marital Status: Married

Education: B.S. Social Sciences/Biology Michigan Tech, B.S.  
History/Political Science Northern Michigan University

Employment/Military Record: Special Education Teacher K-12, Social Studies Teacher 6 - 12. Also taught at Gogebic Community College, Social Sciences and Biology. Twenty-six years of combined service with the United States Army's 82nd Airborne Division, 452nd Combat Support Hospital (Reserve) and with the Michigan Army National Guard's 107th Engineer Bn.