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I am a retired dairy farmer and native Idahoan. I love our state of Idaho. Like many Idahoans, however, I am concerned with the direction of our state. We as Idahoans are being stripped of the power to control our own destiny. Our land, healthcare, and our children's education are progressively being transferred from us to some government entity. I believe as our Founders did: it is best that the family is the primary decision-maker, not the government.

I have been married 37 years to my wonderful husband, Dana. We have two terrific adult children and three beautiful grandchildren. Together, Dana and I built our family business of dairy farming. We currently own a ranch in New Meadows. I am a strong advocate for private property rights, as well as the proper care and management of Idaho's lands and water resources. I am firmly committed to multiple use of our lands; for the sportsmen, recreationists, farmers, ranchers and all who find life enriched by taking part in the great outdoors. When it comes to our natural resources, I will work tirelessly to afford Idahoans more opportunity to control and enjoy the resources God gave us.

I am wholeheartedly opposed to the expansion of Obamacare, the Smarter Balance Assessment Consortium (SBAC testing) and Common Core. I believe that free-market alternatives are the best approach. Regarding education, our teachers should be free to innovate and teach, not hard-wired into a cookie-cutter education approach that is great for the bureaucracy, but not for our kids.

As an active member of the Republican Party, I currently serve as the chairman of the Idaho GOP Region III committee. Years ago, I was fortunate to assist with natural resource issues for Congresswoman Helen Chenoweth. More recently, I had the honor to represent District 9 in the Idaho House on behalf of Representative Judy Boyle for part of the 2015 legislative session. District 9 is all about faith, family, farms and freedom. I believe I will represent District 9 in an engaged manner and look forward to working to retain our values and secure a bright future for rural Idahoans.