



Nasra Wehelie announces historic campaign for Wisconsin State Assembly

Press Release

Contact: press@nasraforwi.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 20, 2024 — Nasra Wehelie, Alder for Madison Common Council District 7, proudly announces her candidacy for Wisconsin State Assembly District 80.

“Through my advocacy work in equity, access, and opportunity, I will be a strong voice and make tangible, sustainable progress in the state legislature,” said Nasra Wehelie. “The residents of the new 80th district deserve a choice on the ballot. The challenges our district faces demand a new perspective and bold action in the halls of our state capitol.”

Nasra Wehelie brings a community-centered approach and draws from her lived experiences to address critical issues, including housing, women's rights, education, economic development, criminal justice reform, and sustainability. “Alder Nasra Wehelie has a proven record as a strong advocate for equity and social justice,” said Madison Alder Barbara Harrington-McKinney from District 20.

Nasra's candidacy has garnered widespread support from elected officials, including Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, Fitchburg Mayor Julia Artta-Fratta, Nasra's Colleagues at the Madison Common Council (Alder Barbara Harrington-McKinney District 20, John W. Duncan District 1, Alder Michael E. Verveer District 4, Alder Marsha Rummel District 6, Alder William Tishler District 11, Alder Amani Latimar Burris District 12, Alder Isadore Knox Jr. District 14, President Jael Currie District 16, Alder Charles Myadze District 18 and Alder John P. Guequierre District 19).

“I have enjoyed working with Alder Nasra Wehelie, a friend and colleague on Madison's Common Council,” expressed Madison Alder John W. Duncan. “As an Alder, Nasra advocates for the needs and concerns of her district, and she will continue to be a dedicated public servant who works to represent her constituents,” Alder Duncan added.

Madison Alder Marsha Rummel expressed, “Alder Nasra Wehelie is an impressive leader. I've had the honor of serving with her on the Madison Common Council since 2020. The new District 80 will benefit from Nasra's progressive approach to sustainability, women's rights, and access to safe and affordable housing. She brings a commitment to understanding power and the root causes of issues to make a better world for all.”

Nasra Wehelie brings over two decades of nonprofit experience, board leadership including Wisconsin League of Municipalities, and tenure on the Madison Common Council since 2020. Nasra has worked to organize individuals for collective action and inclusive decision-making to ensure all voices are heard. “If elected, I will be honored to serve as Wisconsin's first female Muslim state representative and amplify the voices of



marginalized communities. I'm committed to working collaboratively to foster more sustainable and resilient communities in every corner of our state."

Following the Wisconsin Supreme Court decision, the 80th Assembly District was redrawn and now encompasses parts of Cross Plains, West Madison, Town of Middleton, and Verona. The primary election is on August 13, 2024, followed by the general election on November 5, 2024.

Nasra Wehelie invites the community to her campaign kickoff on April 1st, with the location and time to be announced. Learn more and sign up for updates at www.NasraForWI.com and follow on social media @nasraforwi.

###