



Chairman's Letter July 2024

The New Mexico House of Representatives is at risk of becoming a Democrat supermajority. One place we can stem the tide is in District 50, containing a large part of Santa Fe County. Matthew McQueen has been in the seat since 2015, and this time we have a great Republican candidate in Edgewood - Mayor Ken Brennan. Any time we can replace a far-left Democrat with a Republican is going to be a good thing for our state.

In a 2021 redistricting, Edgewood was removed from Stephanie Lord's District 22 and added to District 50. A strong turnout of Republicans, Independents and moderate Democrats can flip this district to a common-sense conservative. Ken is a 20-year Navy veteran with 20+ years in the private sector. His government experience includes serving as Mayor and Town Commissioner. We need true representation in the Roundhouse, where many representatives are following coastal elitist agendas at the expense of New Mexicans.

One serious issue is medical care in our state. Doctor's offices are closing or have stopped taking new patients. Many people have to travel to Albuquerque or even out of state because of the doctor shortage. Bad policy that increased malpractice insurance costs is a big reason why. Reforming excessive government regulations and red tape must be a priority. Crime is another issue where we need more Republicans in the legislature to pass sensible reforms that will keep violent criminals behind bars. Ken has proposed removing the tax on police officer's retirement to help back the Blue.

In the last legislative session, McQueen voted for the firearms waiting period in violation of our second amendment rights. He also backed the clean fuel standards and the paid family leave act both of which hurt our New Mexico small businesses. Given another term, we can expect McQueen to continue to virtue signal while pushing destructive socialist policies. He also attempted to punish Edgewood for their pro-life abortion ordinance.

Republicans of Santa Fe County, please spread the word on Ken Brennan's campaign. District 50 includes Eldorado, Lamy and Highway 14. Check out Ken's website at [KenforNM.com](https://kenforNM.com) where you can learn more and make a donation to his campaign. As the only Republican running for New Mexico House in Santa Fe County, Ken deserves our full support. Let's help him win and begin to take back New Mexico.

With thanks,

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