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Kristie Powe Candidate Biography

I am running for Kentucky House District 57 because I want to amplify the voices of those in Frankfort and Franklin County. We have gone unheard for far too long.

Growing up in Frankfort, my playground after school at Hearn Elementary was the Sears store which my father managed for 16 years. I attended Elkhorn Middle School in the 6th and 7th grade, before transferring to Good Shepherd for my 8th grade year. I graduated with honors from Franklin County High School and attended Fisk University on a full academic scholarship. I would later make Kentucky State University my Alma Mater. This community raised me.

As a proud Rotarian, I live by our motto, Service Above Self. I am active in volunteer service as a member of Frankfort Kiwanis, Chairperson of the Frankfort Human Rights Commission, Frankfort Chamber of Commerce member, Frankfort Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee member, a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., and President of Focus on Race Relations which was created to encourage and engage in open, honest, face-to-face conversations about race and race relations in Frankfort and Franklin County.

I have served the KY legislators and their constituents for the past 8 years as a Constituent Services Analyst. My job was to ensure that the concerns and needs of those in the Commonwealth were being heard and met. As I listened to citizens urging me to encourage those in power to address their needs, it became clear that it is time for me to be the change they want to see in Frankfort and Franklin County. I need to ensure that our laws address key issues affecting our citizens.

My opponent has stated that this race is about name recognition and fund-raising. What a sad sentiment. This is an outdated strategy that has failed to serve most of us who are unseen and unheard. Some of our leaders have followed this belief as well and have strayed from their roles as public servants, choosing lobbyists over constituents. We all need to remember that this race is about serving the people over ourselves!

Our Kentucky legislature has grown stagnant, and the time for change is now. It is time for a fresh outlook, a respectful approach, and a fresh voice, and I am that voice. I am asking that you allow me to prove that to you by honoring me with your vote. Together we can make a difference for our community.