**Jeff Smith – Candidate for 31st Senate District**

Jeff was born and raised in Eau Claire. For 33 years, Jeff and his wife Sue have lived in the house they built in rural Eau Claire County where they raised their two daughters Emily and Sarah.

After years of building a small business, Jeff became an activist and organizer within the community and eventually served the Town of Brunswick as chairperson before serving the 93rd District in the Assembly from 2007-2011. Jeff is credited with regulating Puppy Mills, championing voting rights and campaign reform, supporting our schools while being a leader in the caucus.

Since 2011, Jeff has continued his service to his state and community by organizing others to stand up for public education, access to healthcare, clean water, living wages and fair elections. After the district he served was rigged to favor the Republican, Jeff still campaigned and gave Democrats someone to vote for. In 2012 Jeff collected more votes than either Barack Obama and Tammy Baldwin on the same ballot. Because of the campaign style and hard work Jeff puts into it, he has always been able to pull more independent and conservative voters than other Democrats, which is vital for us to hold this senate seat in western Wisconsin.

It is clear that he is not about holding a title, as Jeff has never disappeared from the political scene. Jeff has not given up on our democracy or our voters. He persists so we will leave behind a state we can be proud of.

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