

Scott Walker

MOVING WISCONSIN FORWARD

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Dear Julaine

What a difference a few years can make. Reflecting on the last four years, we have much to be proud of and to tout as accomplishments. Our state's families and children are better off because of our actions that promote life, freedom, and opportunity.

In keeping with these principles, immediately upon taking office in 2011 I joined the lawsuit against the Affordable Care Act. I oppose it and rejected the false choice of taking the Medicaid expansion tied to it. Instead, we covered everyone in poverty for the first time in state history, protected taxpayers from the inevitable federal budget cuts, and because of our reforms Wisconsin has no health insurance coverage gap; the only state in the nation to say this that didn't take the expansion.

We lifted the cap on the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program, created a program in Racine, and expanded parental choice statewide. These programs are giving low income families educational choices for their children and raising educational achievement in our public schools as they compete.

We passed into law a tax deduction for parents who send their children to private school. This benefit will open up opportunities for parents across Wisconsin and assist with the cost of sending a child to a private school.

We prohibited abortion from being covered by Wisconsin health plans in a health insurance exchange. We passed pro-life legislation that provides women with more information and health protections when they are considering an abortion. We also cut off state funding for abortion providers while maintaining health services for women throughout Wisconsin.

I am defending the Constitutional amendment that defines marriage between one man and one woman. This amendment was passed by the people of the State of Wisconsin and I gave my oath to uphold and defend the Constitution. I support marriage between one man and one woman.

I support the repeal of Common Core and replacing these standards with standards developed in Wisconsin by people from Wisconsin. I support high standards that put our children on a path to success, but not one size fits all standards developed by people in Washington D.C.

We passed a concealed carry law making Wisconsin the 49th state in the nation to do so. I am a firm defender of the Second Amendment. My rating with the NRA is an A+.

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I have been a tireless advocate for freedom and defender of the Constitution and free markets. I believe prosperity comes from the people, not from government. With this in mind we cut taxes for working families and seniors. We cut property taxes for the first time in over a decade. We saved taxpayers more than \$3 billion through our reforms and these tax cuts and savings are leading to more prosperity.

When I took office Wisconsin faced a \$3.6 billion deficit. Our state's rainy day fund was virtually empty. We had just lost 27,000 businesses and 133,000 jobs during Doyle's second term. As well, nearly all of the state's employers surveyed by the state chamber said the state was headed in the wrong direction.

Since I took office, Wisconsin created more than 100,000 jobs and 20,000 new businesses. We turned that deficit into a surplus and our rainy day fund is 165 times larger than when I took office. In addition, now, 96% of those employers say the state is back on the right track.

My record of accomplishments as a legislator, county executive, and as governor are well known. I would hope that my record and the stark contrast with my opponent's positions would garner your support. I would like to thank you for your previous support and endorsement and respectfully ask for it again. There is much we have accomplished and much at stake in this election. We can't afford to go back.

Sincerely,



Scott Walker