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## **GOP Nominee in Southern Wake Addresses Opponent's False Claims on Abortion Views**

**Cary, NC** — Scott Lassiter, the Republican nominee for State Senate in southern Wake County, is raising serious concerns about misleading attacks from a dark money group supporting his opponent. The group "Majority Rising" and his opponent's campaign have circulated false claims about Lassiter's stance on reproductive rights, and he is speaking out to set the record straight.

"In nearly a decade of elected public service, I've always believed that truth and transparency are fundamental to trust in our democracy," said Lassiter, "That's why I share my cell phone number, personally respond to emails, and refuse to coordinate with dark money groups spreading lies about my opponents. Unfortunately, not all political candidates operate this way."

Lassiter's statement comes in response to recent mailers and video ads containing inaccurate claims about his position on abortion, specifically that Lassiter would vote to completely ban abortion in our state.

"The claims from this dark money group and directly from my opponent couldn't be further from the truth,"
Lassiter continued, "Even during a contentious primary, where this issue undoubtedly cost me votes from some single-issue voters, I stood firm in my commitment to protecting safe and legal access to abortion. My balanced and reasonable views on reproductive rights are well-documented, and the candidate these mailers try to associate me with actually worked against me in the Primary Election."

Lassiter emphasized that, like the vast majority of citizens, he believes abortion should not be used as a form of birth control, nor should it be permitted in unnecessary late-term or partial-birth procedures. He further stressed that, "As a deeply personal issue, reproductive health decisions should stay between a couple or in a doctor's office."

"Our state's laws allowing first-trimester abortions for any reason, and later procedures with a doctor's approval or in exceptional cases, are consistent with the views of the majority of voters in our community," said Lassiter, "I'd be interested to know where my opponent draws the line, as she has not addressed this issue directly."

Lassiter also encourages voters to watch a video in which he outlines his commitment to protecting reproductive rights and expanding resources for mothers and children in need. It can be viewed here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYoxhFoYacc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYoxhFoYacc</a>

"I know voters are just as tired of the political games as I am," Lassiter added, "If anyone has questions about this sensitive issue, I invite them to reach out to me directly. I trust the voters of North Carolina Senate District Thirteen to do their research and to cast an informed vote for the candidate that most closely aligns with their values."

## **About Scott Lassiter**

Scott Lassiter is the Republican State Senate nominee with nearly a decade of elected public service experience. Professionally, he's an assistant principal for the Wake County public school system. He is committed to truth, transparency, and the values of his community. Learn more at https://votescottlassiter.com/