Buckman announces candidacy for Kentucky State Representative House District 76



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LEXINGTGON, Ky. – Joshua Buckman has announced his intention to seek the Democratic nomination for Kentucky State Representative for the 76th district. Buckman, 42, is a lifelong Kentuckian and medical social worker who works with patients on dialysis. Buckman expressed that, he is "running in order to bring a fresh perspective to the Kentucky General Assembly. My father worked in a factory and benefited from being a member of the United Steel Worker's union and my mother is a former public school teacher and small business owner. I hope to bring their values to Frankfort."

Main priorities for Buckman are to improve senior care, restore reproductive rights, increase teacher pay and reduce gun violence. He also wants to work with constituents and community leaders to discover and address the needs and concerns in his community.

Buckman believes that the achievements by outgoing Representative Ruth Ann Palumbo rank among some of the greatest accomplishments by a Kentuckian. He seeks to expand on her legacy of work with regard to women's and LGBTQIA issues. Buckman will work to pass paid family leave and fairness laws which would outlaw discrimination against the LGBTQIA community.

Originally from Graves County, Kentucky, Buckman attended Western Kentucky University and earned his Master's Degree in social work from the University of Louisville. He spends much of his free time volunteering for the Kentucky Democratic Party, Planned Parenthood, environmental agencies as well as helping others register to vote. Additionally, Buckman has experience counseling individuals dealing with substance abuse which gives him a better understanding the problems that so many Kentuckians face – problems that should be more focused on in Frankfort.

Kentucky House District 76 encompasses much of the Bryan Station, Chevy Chase, Hamburg, Castlewood, Eastland and Liberty Heights portions of Fayette County.

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