

A proven name will appear on the August 7th Republican primary ballot. Diane Franklin is seeking re-election to represent the newly formed 123rd District, which encompasses southern Camden County and eastern Laclede County. A life long resident, local small business owner, as well as a 5th generation farmer, Diane is seeking her second term in the House of Representatives to continue the good work she is doing for our community and the State of Missouri. Experience sets Representative Franklin apart in this bid for re-election.

Dedication to her elected position and to the people she represents is evident in her public voting record. She has been appointed to and served on, numerous committees since her election to public office in November of 2010. Becoming a member of the Small Business, the Health Care Policy, Professional Registration and Licensing, Appropriations for Education and Health, Senior Services and Mental Health committees has given Diane the opportunity to research the proposed legislation and cast her vote, not only in committee, but also in session, while considering the impact her vote will have on the entire district. Her experience in the House has shown her that availability to her constituency is the key for success. In her first year in the House, Representative Franklin was awarded an Outstanding Freshman Legislator of the Year award, and this year she received an award for Fiscal and Government Accountability Issues for her outstanding work in the appropriation committee.

Experience as a small business owner makes Diane invaluable as a leader in representing our 123rd District. Jobs, once again, were the top priority in this session. Diane continues to fight the crippling regulations that inhibit growth and expansion. She has heard the complaints of too much governmental regulation, and will once again fight for small businesses' ability to operate and for industry to grow and offer quality jobs with good pay. She, alongside fellow Republicans and against the other side of the aisle, fought to balance the budget without raising taxes, keeping your hard earned dollars with you, where they belong. The current economy will turn around when the people of Missouri are confident their tax dollars are being used wisely. Battling to balance the budget with a \$500 million shortfall was a difficult task, yet Diane stood firm. Her experience in the House allows Diane to work in favor of what is best for Missourians.

Believing in the unselfish and true sacrifice made by Missouri Veterans, Diane was proud to cast her vote in favor of a long-term, reliable and dedicated funding source for the Missouri Veterans Commission. This legislation provides money to the Veteran's homes and ensures the care our veterans earned while serving our country. She believed that for far too long Missouri Veteran's were overlooked as their funding was being shifted to other social programs. Casting a favorable vote defines the funding to our patriots so that receive the care they deserve year after year.

Based on her experience, Diane has recently been appointed to the newly formed Interim Government Bidding and Contracting Committee. This committee will oversee the review of standards and practices ensuring accountability in the process used to receive and award bid contracts in the state. This includes making certain taxpayer money is used in an open and transparent way. Looking for common sense solutions to hold governmental bidding accountable to the best use of taxpayer dollars will be the goal of the committee.

Diane and her husband, Dr. Chris Franklin, are natives of Camden County. Together they have raised two sons, both are college graduates, and both have/are currently proudly serving our country. Christopher Franklin served in the United States Marine Corp. Dr. Andrew Franklin is currently serving in the United States Air Force as he completes his Residency at the University of Missouri. Both sons are married and the Franklins have two granddaughters.

Representative Franklin is a member of Canopy Church in Camdenton, the National Rifle Association, National Wild Turkey Federation and the Missouri Farm Bureau. She is also a member of the American and Missouri Trap Shooting Association. Diane is one of four women on the Missouri State Trap Shooting Team. Diane was elected twice to serve on the Camdenton RIII School District Board of Education where she was actively involved in the budgetary, curricular and personnel duties, as well as the Lake Career and Technical Center.

The Franklin family has a long history of serving in our community: personally and professionally. Their commitment to upholding the values and well-being of the 123rd District will continue with the re-election of Diane Franklin to the House of Representatives.