



ANNOUNCES CAMPAIGN for North Dakota Senate in District 25

Business owner, nonprofit leader, and lifelong North Dakotan launches community-focused campaign to strengthen rural communities, expand opportunity, and move District 25 forward.



MANTADOR, N.D., April 29, 2026 —

Business owner, nonprofit leader, and longtime community advocate Bob Heitkamp announced today that he is running for the North Dakota Senate in District 25, launching a campaign focused on practical leadership, local priorities, and building a stronger future for families, farms, and small towns across the district.

Heitkamp enters the race with decades of business experience creating jobs, managing companies, solving problems, and serving communities. His background stands in sharp contrast to politics as usual and reflects what many voters want now: leadership grounded in work ethic, accountability, and results.

Rising costs, aging infrastructure, and a lack of funding for essential services and schools are putting real pressure on families, farmers, and local businesses across District 25.

I'm running to listen to every constituent and bring a business mindset with a community leadership to Bismarck so we can expand economic prosperity, support agriculture, improve infrastructure, strengthen schools, and create real opportunity for the next generation.

A lifelong North Dakotan, Heitkamp started his first business at age sixteen and went on to build and operate successful ventures in retail, hospitality, construction, and product development. He also serves as Executive Director of Marketplace for Kids, helping young people develop leadership skills, and belief in their future. His record of service includes work as a volunteer firefighter, church leader, and statewide education advocate.

"People across District 25 know Bob Heitkamp as someone who leads by helping others succeed," Rep. Alisa Mitskog, District 25 member of the North Dakota House of Representatives, said.

"He understands our communities, respects hard work, and has the experience to provide thoughtful, effective leadership while never forgetting the people he serves."