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SENATOR BETH MIZELL ANNOUNCES CAMPAIGN FOR RE-ELECTION

FRANKLINTON - Senator Beth Mizell (R-Franklinton) will be seeking re-election this fall. Beth Mizell was first elected to the State Senate in 2015. She is completing her second term and will seek her third term, which is the final term with term limits in Louisiana. The election is on October 14 with the gubernatorial election. District 12 includes all of Washington Parish and significant portions of Tangipahoa Parish and St. Tammany Parish.

"It has been my honor to serve District 12 in the Louisiana Senate and to be trusted by the people of the District to hear their problems and address their concerns," said Mizell. "I am pleased that we have made forward strides but there is much work to do here and across Louisiana."

Mizell continually pushed for construction on state Highway 3241 and after our long wait from 1989 it is happening. The connection it creates with St Tammany to Washington Parish will open up much needed economic opportunities for our area. Another important connection is broadband internet installation to rural Louisiana. We now see reels of fiber optic cable being installed across the District with a goal for completion of the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund project for 2025-this will allow for high speed internet throughout rural Washington, St. Tammany and Tangipahoa parishes. The highway and broadband will allow connection to our area in a revolutionary step forward.

The funds Senator Mizell allocated to the Bogue Chitto State Park from the dissolved Washington Parish Reservoir Commission have created a tremendous attraction to our area. The Park now has an extraordinary equine area for visitors as well as a mountain bike trail system that draws visitors from all over the USA. A real source of pride for the north shore region.

Legislation by Mizell has stimulated the broadband funding and installation that we finally see taking place in rural Louisiana. Mizell's legislation to use assets in place from utilities sped up installation of broadband, saved money and put an urgency on rural connectivity.

Mizell's Fairness in Women's Sports bill protects female athletics by putting into law that female sports are to be played only by biological females, thus keeping competition fair for women athletes. It keeps the playing field level in the game and for those who compete for college scholarships. This bill took 2 years to get through without a veto, and became law last year.

This year's ballot will include an amendment for Freedom of Worship that Senator Mizell sponsored this past session. The amendment protects places of worship from government overreach, affirming the protection put in place by our Bill of Rights Senator Mizell proudly serves as Senate President Pro Tempore, a position she was elected to by members of the Senate. She also serves as Chairman of the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus, composed of all women legislators.

Mizell has sponsored legislation for victims of human trafficking, victims of sexual assault and to protect our children. She also sponsored legislation to address Title IX concerns for students in our colleges and universities.

After chairing the committee to Bring the Wall to our Veterans, Senator Mizell and the Committee used the funds remaining to jumpstart Our Veterans Memorial Park on Highway 25 in Washington Parish. The Park is now a reality with flags flying as work continues on the memorial brick installation.

"I look forward to highway and internet connectivity for my rural District. I look forward to better opportunities for our young people as we work together to keep them in Louisiana," said Mizell. "I look forward to a better Louisiana for all of us. Please allow me to work for you these next 4 years."