

AFRICAN AMERICAN PASTORS UNITED FOR SEN. LAURA KELLY

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Clergy United for Change Endorse Sen. Laura Kelly for Governor of the State of Kansas

The state of our state is at a critical point. Seven years of the failed Brownback experiment has left the State of Kansas vulnerable and compromised. Given the daunting challenges facing us - due in part to Governor Brownback's failed policies - we need change. We have seen the negative impact on our state budget, public schools, public safety, economic growth, urban development, rural development, and a host of other negatively impacted areas.

As Christian pastors, we stand here today not as representatives of our individual churches or the ecumenical organizations. We are here as individuals voicing our collective concerns for our state. And, we are announcing our support for Sen. Laura Kelly. It is our belief that our state deserves better leadership in Topeka. As members of the moral and spiritual leadership of the city of Wichita and this state, we are here in full support of a candidate in whom we have strong belief. We believe that Sen. Laura Kelly possesses the necessary governing temperament and political resume to lead our great state forward in the face of political partisanship and social distress. Critical times call for a serious leader who will take a measured approach to addressing the most urgent and sensitive concerns that we have as a state.

As a state, we are not a test experiment. As a state we are real people, with real issues who deserve real leadership in Topeka. We cannot afford to cede the Governorship of the great State of Kansas into the hands of someone who will take us backwards and implement failed policies that are bad for our families. We've had enough failed tests, partisan politics, and poor policies. It's time to elect a principled and pragmatic leader who will fight for people of all political and socioeconomic backgrounds throughout our state.

It's no secret that Sen. Kelly's moderate positions have garnered her the support of a growing list of prominent and respected Kansas Republicans. These folks are putting our state over party politics. Sen. Kelly's ability to work across party lines will be an asset as Governor. Bipartisanship has been missing in recent years. But Sen. Kelly is the right person to help foster a renewed bipartisan spirit in Topeka.

And for those reasons we proudly stand with Sen. Laura Kelly and enthusiastically endorse her to be the next Governor of the great State of Kansas.

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