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## **Representative Bruce Goforth Resigns**

**Asheville, N.C.** — Representative Bruce Goforth (Democrat, NC-115) has announced that he is resigning his seat in the North Carolina General Assembly effective July 31<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Goforth, who has been elected to the State House four times, currently serves as Majority Whip. He leaves Raleigh planning to devote himself fully to his family and construction business. The Buncombe County Democratic Party will recommend his replacement to Governor Beverly Perdue.

“I am deeply grateful for the opportunity that the voters of Buncombe County have given me to serve them these last eight years,” said Mr. Goforth. “Although I need to devote my time to my business and my family, I will remain available to assist the citizens of Buncombe County throughout the transition to their new representative.”

A Buncombe County native, Mr. Goforth has been a dedicated supporter of the local community and the Democratic Party for decades. In his eight years of service in the legislature, Mr. Goforth rose through the ranks to chair the Insurance Committee and the Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital. He also served our state as vice chair of both the full Appropriations Committee and the Commerce Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee. His political skills and effectiveness in the State House earned him election by his peers to the Majority Whip post in 2009.

Buncombe County Democratic Party Chair Charles Carter praised Mr. Goforth’s long and distinguished service to the community, noting “From his time on the Buncombe County School Board to his eight years in the General Assembly, Bruce has exemplified our mountain values by serving with integrity. We all appreciate how he has served our County and our State.”

The Buncombe County Democratic Party elects Democrats to national, state and local offices. Its board members include Charles Carter, Chair; Michelle Pace Wood, First Vice Chair, Isaac Coleman, Second Vice Chair; Paul Choi, Third Vice Chair; Jake Quinn, Secretary; and Catherine Alter, Treasurer.

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