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Dear Neighbor,

Please join me in voting for John Kowalko on November 6 as our 25th District Representative in the Delaware House of Representatives.

John, a retired union machinist, community activist, and government reformist, has always been a man of the people. First elected in 2006, he has been serving us ever since by listening to our concerns, learning about our issues, and acting upon them to make things better for us, for our children, for our community, and for our state.

As evidence of his hard work for us in Dover, he introduced and secured the unanimous passage in the House and the Senate of **HB 331**, helped pass **HB 456** and has helped protect **DP&L** customers:

- **HB 331** -Motivated by the untimely passing of their son, Michael, Bonnie and Chuck Yeatman asked for legislation to help ensure that other parents will not suffer the same loss of a child. John turned their request into **HB 331** which has now created regulations concerning the use, distribution, and education of benzodiazepine and non-benzodiazepine hypnotics. It requires practitioners to obtain consent from a minor's parent or guardian prior to prescribing these drugs, and requires pharmacists to include a cautionary statement explaining the risks associated with the use of these drugs.
- **HB 456** has amended the Delaware Code to prohibit the use of lead paints on outdoor structures such as bridges, water towers, playground equipment, highways, parking lots, and utility towers and poles, in order to protect public health from the dangers of such paints. This bill not only enables a cleaner and healthier environment in Delaware, but it makes Delaware the first state to ban lead paint on outdoor structures. He is grateful to community activists ~~Emily~~ and Sarah Bucic for their persistence in passing this bill.
- **John protected DP & L electric ratepayers** by gathering 38 signatures from fellow legislators to support the Public Advocate's efforts to mitigate the proposed increase in electric rates that Delmarva brought before the Public Service Commission. The original rate increase request was for \$31 million, but after months of negotiation, a settlement was agreed to that reduced the reduced the proposed rate increase entirely and gave a \$6.8 million credit to the customer base.

Representative Kowalko believes that a healthy democracy depends upon open, transparent, and accountable government. He will continue to introduce reforms to make this happen in Delaware, by moving our State government decision-making from behind closed doors to engagement and dialogue on policies and issues with the people.

Nobody says it better than John, "*My biggest accomplishment in my twelve years as a representative has been my willingness to listen and study all aspects of every issue and educate myself on the nuances of those policies and laws that we craft in Dover. I'm most proud of my ability to keep my commitment to serve the working families, businesses and communities of Delaware and not succumb to special interests and I will proudly pledge that the only 'special interests' I will serve are the people of Delaware.*"

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Sincerely,

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