

News from State Senator Tim Golden

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Valdosta Daily Times Endorses Golden for Senate

Valdosta, GA -- **State Senator Tim Golden** (D-Valdosta) announced today that *The Valdosta Daily Times* endorsed his campaign for re-election today. The seven member editorial board was unanimous in its endorsement of Golden's re-election to a fourth term in the State Senate.

In making the endorsement, the *Times*, stated, "*The Valdosta Daily Times* editorial board isn't handing State Sen. Tim Golden an endorsement in his re-election bid. He's earned it." The *Times* cited numerous endorsements of Golden from the NFIB to the NRA in making the endorsement.

The editorial closed by stating, "We applaud Golden for his work in health care issues and on projects such as the Sales Tax Holiday. We wish more elected officials used the incumbent as a model. He has shown his willingness to put aside party politics and to work with other leaders from both sides of the aisle."

"I am pleased to have received the endorsement of the Valdosta Daily Times," said Golden, who continued, "I am grateful for the support of my hometown newspaper and appreciate the kind and generous remarks about my record of accomplishment in the Georgia General Assembly. It is particularly gratifying to know that the folks who know me best support me and my work in the Senate."

The editorial cited the fact that the Senator has been endorsed by numerous groups including the National Federation of Independent Businesses (**NFIB**); the Medical Association of Georgia; the National Rifle Association (**NRA**) and the fact that he had been named the "Champion of Business" by the Chamber of Commerce for promoting pro-business legislation through his long tenure in the General Assembly.

Senator Golden recently received the Georgia Hospital Association (**GHA**) "**2004 Legislative Leadership Award**" for promoting quality health care and working to make health care more available and affordable for the citizens of Georgia.

Senator Golden is seeking a fourth term in the State Senate. He is a fourteen year veteran of the Georgia General Assembly having served for eight years in the Georgia House of Representatives prior to his election to the Senate in 1998.

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