Tina Folch, House District 54B Script for Televised Candidate Profile Produced and aired by South Washington County Telecommunications Commission

HI, I'm Tina Folch and I'm running for the MN House Reps., District 54B – which is the south eastern Cottage Grove, Afton and Hastings. I get asked a lot, "Why are you running, you must be crazy!" And I get it. Today, politics are pitting us against each other and its nasty. So, why WOULD I run?

I'm running because standing on the sidelines isn't an option when too many elected officials like my opponent, come home to talk to voters, but then go to St. Paul and vote for corporate special interests. We see it over and over the last 2 years. BIG tax breaks for the wealthy, little ones of us. Handouts to health insurance companies and new incentives for big businesses. Ask yourself - Why are dark Money PACS from OUTSIDE of our district funneling huge amounts of money into negative ads against me so that you think I AM Scary?

So, do I think I can make a difference? Yeah - I do and here's why.

I have both the advanced education and professional experience to get things done. I've worked for 25 years in state and local government – and what I have learned is to be successful, you have to work with every everyone. I currently serve on the Hastings City Council, another job that is focused on people rather than politics.

I want to focus on the lives of families in our district. I grew up here and I love this area. With your help, I will make it to St. Paul - And when I get there, I will focus on fixing our healthcare system. I pledge to fully support our public schools pre-k through career training, and I will fight to protect our drinking water and Mother Earth.

I stand endorsed by groups that care about us and our loved ones, such as the MN Nurses Association, Education MN (who our teachers), and the Sierra Club.

I'm asking for your support so that, together, we CAN get things done!

Please visit my website at <u>tinafolch.com for more info</u>. And remember the polls are already open. Please be sure to VOTE. Thanks!