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Senate President Steve Morris Seeks Reelection in 2012

Topeka – Kansas Senate President Steve Morris, R-Hugoton, today filed paperwork in his hometown of Hugoton and issued a formal statement that he will run for re-election to the 39th District State Senate seat. He stopped at several communities in the district, including Garden City, Lakin, Ulysses and Elkhart to bring his announcement to local supporters and media.

Morris stated, “Southwest Kansas needs strong leadership. We as Kansans, like many Americans, face some of the most significant challenges in our history - drought, job losses and the economic downturn. I am here today asking for the support of the hardworking, resilient people of southwest Kansas so that together, we can build a bright future for our region and our state.”

“Throughout my public service,” Morris continued, “I have pursued responsible public policy, making decisions based on the merit of the proposal and its impact on southwest Kansas.”

“I am proud of my record of supporting conservative values and fiscal responsibility, good schools and infrastructure. I will continue to fight for a tax and regulatory climate that protects taxpayers in southwest Kansas and encourages job growth in our part of the state. There is much to do, and I would like to help set the tone and direction for a bright and prosperous future for Kansas.”

Morris concluded saying, “With honest, civil discourse and a genuine, good faith exchange of ideas and ideologies, members of the legislature can truly work together to meet the needs of the citizens of Kansas and set a sound, responsible course for the future.”

Morris is a fourth generation Kansan and a farmer with corn and wheat operation near Hugoton. He was elected to the Senate in 1992 and has served as President of the Senate since 2005. Senator Morris is married to Barb Morris; they have three daughters and eight grandchildren.

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(ED. NOTE: Attached is an up-to-date bio for Senate President Morris and a hi-res headshot.)