

Does **SIZE** matter?

Dear Burrillville and Glocester Residents of District 47,

Did the title get your attention? You may be wondering where I am going with this. So please allow me to turn your attention to the upcoming Primary vote next week. As I drive around RI and our district, I can't help but notice not only the large Caprio signs, and now the large Cale Keable signs around town. I always wonder about such signs. Are they to overcompensate for something? We all need to put up some signs for name recognition; it is just a necessary evil of running for office. But to blanket the town with them smacks of something more. I have always believed that you vote for the candidate, not the sign. As the sign blitz started, I have studied my two opponents and have naturally drawn comparisons between the two of them, and comparisons to myself.

Mr. Heitke and I own business in town that employes residents from our district. Mr. Keable has worked out of town at a Boston law firm for most of the past 10 years.

Mr. Heitke and I have lived full time in town, raising our families. Mr. Keable may have owned property in town, but I question how much he has lived in Burrillville on a full time basis during the past 10 years.

The fact is that Mr. Keable has not been around much in the past few years. Yes, he is from a well known and respected family in Burrillville. But does that qualify Mr. Keable to represent Burrillville and Glocester? No, it does not. 1,000 yard signs all over Burrillville should not give a candidate a free ride in a primary or general election. Mr. Keable should move back to Burrillville full time once again. He should spend some time living in the district once more, before asking to be our State Representative.

Let us now turn to another size issue. Rhode Island has an over-sized State Government. Again, bigger is not always better! The leaders in the State House have squandered our tax dollars for too long. The State budget has grown dramatically in the past 10-20 years. We pay more, but get less. Since we cannot expect the current leadership in the State House to change how they mispend our money, we need to change the leadership. We need a group of Republicans, Independents and fiscally conservative Democrats to work toward important common goals next year:

- 1. Private sector job creation through Lower Taxes.**
- 2. Lower Taxes through Smaller State Government.**
- 3. Smaller State Government through Pension Reform, Welfare Reform and a reduction in funding to inefficient State departments.**
- 4. Statewide E-Verify to help keep illegal immigrants from flocking to RI and taking our jobs.**
- 5. Elimination of all unfunded mandates that lead to higher property taxes in our towns.**
- 6. Elimination of Legislative Grants, the "legalized bribes" handed out by the House and Senate leadership.**
- 7. Term Limits. If we want true public servants and not career politicians, we need term limits.**

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I hope to earn your support on November 2. Remember that you will not see my name on the Primary ballot, as I have no primary opponent. Please get out there and cast your votes and look for me at one of the polling places.

Thanks,
Don

