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DISTRICT 56A VOTERS HEAD TO POLLS MORE INFORMED
Jim Martin's Meet & Greet Tour Concludes.

Lake Elmo, Minnesota – 21 October 2010:

Jim Martin, a candidate nominated by the residents of district 56A for election to the Minnesota House Of Representatives, extended open invitations to the public this past week. As advertised in six newspapers and nearly ten-thousand hand delivered invitations, Jim Martin set up shop at Dunn Brothers Coffee in Woodbury, Joseph's Family Restaurant in Stillwater, and the Lake Elmo Inn in Lake Elmo. Staying three to five minutes, the average visitor had access to campaign reports, spending limit agreements, public subsidy payments, and the state's budget.

Martin reports, "Only about half of what I talked about was politics. Conversation topics ranged from the Twins and Vikings to recent trips and the meals they just ate. People often complain that they do not have access to their candidates or reliable information. I simply wanted to resolve this issue by providing the opportunity to have transparent, open, and honest conversations." To ensure voters have ample access to him, Martin also publishes his personal telephone number in campaign material and advertising.

"Let's face it," Martin says, "no one really knows how to gain access to public information. It's important to be able to see the names and addresses of the political entities pulling the strings of candidates." Thumbing through the reports, Martin points out that incumbent Julie Bunn (D) and Kathy Lohmer (R) are receiving contributions from lobbyists, political action committees, and political parties. Receiving all his contributions from individuals and the only one not subsidized with public funding provided by the state, Martin has spent the least to campaign. "That's important given the current deficit," he suggests. "How we act during our campaign is a strong indication of how we will act if elected. I would like to congratulate all those who attend and became more informed."

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