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COLLINS SUPPORTS HINCHEY IN SD-46, ENDS PRIMARY BID

***Jeff Collins backs Michelle Hinchey as the best chance to flip the
46th State Senate District.***

Saugerties, NY — Jeff Collins has put his support behind Michelle Hinchey and has chosen to end his campaign for the Democratic nomination in the 46th State Senate District. Collins will join Michelle Hinchey's campaign as a volunteer policy advisor to work together to win the 46th Senate seat. The district includes parts of Albany, Schenectady, and Ulster Counties, and all of Montgomery and Greene Counties. The current Republican Senator, George Amedore, has announced that he will not seek re-election.

"I commend Jeff Collins for his commitment to improving the lives of Upstate New Yorkers," said **Michelle Hinchey**. "I am proud to have his support and welcome him to our team. Jeff brings a lifetime of experience in business, agriculture and advocacy. Our region has the opportunity for new representation and ideas to grow our local economy and create jobs, champion women's issues, strengthen our infrastructure and improve access to affordable healthcare and housing. I'm excited for the support our campaign continues to receive and to keep engaging with the communities across the 46th District."

"I have had a chance to get to know Michelle and her intelligence, passion, and commitment to making a difference in the district and the state is clear. Working together to ensure we win this critical seat is the best path forward

for the district,” said **Jeff Collins**. “I want to thank my supporters and encourage them to join me in my strong support for Michelle and my continued commitment to flipping SD-46. I know that she will be a fierce advocate for the issues that matter most to our communities, including fixing our healthcare system, promoting local family farms and protecting our natural resources. I look forward to the opportunity to be part of her team and volunteer my abilities to this important moment for our region and ensuring that we have the right voice in Albany.”

Hinchey’s candidacy was recently [highlighted](#) by *The New York Times*, which called her 'The Best Hope' for a Democratic pickup in the Hudson Valley this coming election. She has also been endorsed by Representative Antonio Delgado (NY-19), Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan and GenVote UAlbany.

About Michelle:

Born and raised in Saugerties, New York, and a life-long Democrat, the 32-year-old Hinchey graduated from Saugerties High School and New York's Industrial and Labor Relations School at Cornell University.

For the past 10 years, Hinchey has worked her way up to executive-level communications positions in the technology and media industries; she served on the Board of Directors of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development; and has worked with Environment NY. She has been a life-long advocate for progressive causes and believes that government should work for the people and that we have a responsibility to leave our world better than how we found it. For more information, please visit hincheyforny.com.