



Jonathan Isenor for MN House District 21B

RURAL ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE & EDUCATION

From the Campaign Trail



This week Jonathan went up to Minneapolis for a DFL House Candidate Workshop. He was joined by Peggy Decker, campaign Communications Director, Gary Sheppard, Events & Outreach Coordinator, Mike Majerus, Assistant Policy Advisor, and Laura.



The campaign team is coming together! But we still need more help. Please sign up to volunteer or contribute to the campaign at www.Isenor4House.com.

Recent Health Care Changes

If we didn't know it before, we know it now – health care is complicated. We must take care of our families, our neighbors, our communities, and all Minnesotans, including those who are vulnerable. Parents caring for special needs children, our seniors and disabled neighbors are worried that they will be left behind. So many families are working hard but still struggling to make ends meet. A healthcare emergency or a chronic disease in a family member shouldn't add to their burden.

We can be proud that approximately [97% of Minnesota children](#) are insured today. That achievement is being threatened by the inaction of Congress to reauthorize the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), called MinnesotaCare here. This program covers children who would otherwise not have access to essential care including well child visits. One third of Minnesota children currently receive care under Minnesota-Care, Medical Assistance and the individual insurance market plans under the ACA (Obamacare).

Recent actions to destroy patient protections and insurance affordability in the individual health insurance market threatens what we have achieved so far in Minnesota. In short, these actions deliver far less for much more money.

Our health care system cannot collapse and laws must support it. We must all work together to bring down the cost of insurance and prescriptions. The health of our children, families, farmers, veterans, seniors, and everyone is a serious matter and we must treat it that way.

Health care is a human right! - JRI

Upcoming Events

- Oct 23rd – Attending a panel discussion on Women in Politics
- Oct 26th – Winona County DFL Meeting
- Oct 29th – #ServiceSaturdays/Sunday: Serving breakfast at the American Legion in West Concord
- Nov 2nd – Caucus Workshop (hosted by Goodhue County DFL)
- Nov 3rd – Bellechester Deer Hunter Banquet
- Nov 4th – #ServiceSaturdays: Harvest Fest at Goodhue County Historical Society
- Nov 5th – CD1 Autumn Dinner
- Nov 7th – Goodhue County DFL Fall Festival

MNsure -Health Insurance Enrollment Opens November 1st

The 2018 open enrollment period begins November 1, 2017, and ends January 14, 2018. Ninety-six percent of Minnesotans have health coverage—the highest percentage in state history. In plan year 2017, more than 500,000 Minnesotans have found health coverage through MNsure. Minnesotans eligible for Medical Assistance or MinnesotaCare can enroll year-round. More information can be found at mnsure.org.

[MNsure's online plan comparison tool](#) is now available with updated 2018 plan information. The tool helps Minnesotans quickly compare plan options, and learn about their health insurance costs and financial assistance. It is available in both English and Spanish, and identifies premiums and deductible amounts, as well as estimated out-of-pocket costs based on health status and expected use of medical services. The tool also estimates whether a consumer is eligible for tax credits to offset premium costs. Individuals earning up to \$48,240 annually, or a family of four earning up to \$98,400 per year qualify for a tax credit. Approximately 65 percent of current enrollees are receiving tax credits.

DFL F.D.R. Dinner

On October 22, 2017, Jonathan, Laura, Jack, and Dorothy went to the FDR Dinner in Rochester. All DFL gubernatorial candidates attended along with several CD1 candidates. Candidates running for Attorney General, State Auditor, and Minnesota State House were present as well. Rep. Erin Maye Quade, Attorney General Lori Swanson, and Secretary of State Steve Simon spoke at this event. (Some photos are below – more are on [facebook](#)).



(Left to Right)
 Jamie Malberg - Candidate for MN House
 Alysa Maye Quade - DFL
 Political and Organizing Director
 Jonathan Isenor - Candidate for MN House
 Laura Isenor
 Rep. Erin Maye Quade holding Dorothy Isenor



Attorney General Lori Swanson speaking to the DFL SD 26 and Olmsted 25 DFL



Rep. Erin Murphy with Dot.



Rep. Tim Walz with Dot.