YOUTH CLIMATE ACTION TEAM OF WISCONSIN TO ENDORSE MAX PRESTIGIACOMO

Youth Climate Action Team members voted nearly in late February to support Max Prestigiacomo for the District 8 Madison City Council Seat

MADISON, WI – In late February, Youth Climate Action Team (YCAT) members voted unanimously to endorse Max Prestigiacomo for the District 8 seat on Madison’s Common Council. Max Prestigiacomo, former Executive Director of YCAT, is running for Common Council as part of the Youth Climate Action Team’s goal to get more youth into office who represent progressive ideals. Members saw his plans to institute radical change within this city and enthusiastically supported his candidacy.

Max is a strong progressive who cares deeply about the issue of climate injustice in Madison. As part of his Progress Platform, he wants to amend the Sustainability Plan and take the community of Madison to 100% renewable energy by 2030, not 2050. He believes that more municipalities need to adapt their Sustainability Plans to account for environmental racism and “wild-card” factors not accounted for in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report. His efforts will also include sweeping legislation to increase youth representation and input in the City of Madison.

“As one of the founding members of the Youth Climate Action Team (YCAT), Max has demonstrated his commitment to change. Now, he has capitalized on his ability to create change himself by running for City Council on progressive values. YCAT hopes to continually encourage members to run for office and represent youth across Wisconsin and the nation. We cannot wait to see Max make history in transforming this city” says Aidan Dresang, Communications Director of the Youth Climate Action Team.

On April 21st, Max will be sworn in as the youngest elected official in the nation. YCAT is excited to be a part of the movement and anticipates more youth candidates running for office in Wisconsin after Max’s election.
About the Youth Climate Action Team (YCAT) - Formed in early 2019, the Youth Climate Action Team is a Wisconsin-based group run by young people who are committed to furthering climate action in the state. After the group planned a climate strike that drew 2,000 people in March, the team has continued to empower other young people to fight for climate justice.