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Luke Malek to Seek Re-Election

State Representative Luke Malek (R-District 4) announced to a small group of family and supporters over the weekend that after discussing the decision with his wife, he is planning on seeking re-election. If his campaign is successful, this will be his second term. He will file the appropriate paperwork on Monday, March 10th.

"Tara and I are honored to have the support of our family, friends and the people of Coeur d'Alene," said Representative Malek.

"We are both very passionate about making our State a more prosperous, safe and enjoyable place to live. The fact that we have the opportunity to pursue this passion in the Legislature is humbling."

Malek won the Republican primary in 2012 with 65.5% of the vote, and was elected in May of 2012 in a three-way race with 57.5% of the vote.

"Luke has earned a reputation as a very hard working and talented legislator." Said fellow Representative Ed Morse (R-District 2). "I am looking forward to working with him on more job friendly legislation and to further restrain health care costs."

Malek has made news during his first session for his pro-Second Amendment stance, his position opposing a federal health insurance exchange in favor of a state-based model, championing a full slate of criminal code changes, including a measure facing the floor of the Senate this week that would outlaw predatory use of private pictures commonly known as "revenge pornography," and for his outspoken stance in support of Idaho businesses, emphasizing that a strong economy is crucial to job creation.

Malek has lived in Kootenai County since he was eight years old. He is currently the Director of Legal Affairs and Project Management at Heritage Health. He co-founded the Kootenai County Young Professionals in 2007. He has worked for the Office of the Governor as the Regional Director in Northern Idaho under Governor Risch, as the Executive Director of the Post Falls Urban Renewal Agency, and as a Deputy Prosecutor for Kootenai County. He earned his B.A. at College of Idaho in Caldwell, holds a law degree from the University of Idaho and is a member of the Idaho State Bar.
