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**For Immediate Release: Katybeth Davis, D-Monroe Charter Township, has announced that she** will run for State Senate in 2022, the seat in District # 16, currently held by Sen Dale Zorn, R-Ida, who will vacate the position due to being term limited. Davis is a community activist, mother, and works full time for a local construction company.

“Growing up in Monroe County has not always been easy. Over the last 6 years, being a person of color, I have experienced so much racism that it is indescribable. I am running to stand up against everything that was meant to hold down minorities and to make this community a better place for all of the people who reside here.”

**Education:** Monroe High School Graduate (2002). MCCC Graduate (2004)- Associates in Applied Sciences

**Organizations/Groups/Member:** Monroe County NAACP, Monroe County Democratic Party, Anishinabek Caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party, Emily’s List, Good Trouble Monroe, Custer Elementary PTO, Black Lives Matter, and St. Mary’s Church.

**Accomplishments as a community activist and private citizen:** Served on Citizens Advisory Board for Monroe Charter Township in regards to Marijuana Dispensaries, expedited railroad track repairs on Elm St & Dunbar Rd in Monroe County, advocated for the repair and upkeep of the Martin Luther King Bridge in the city of Monroe, and have had several resolutions passed through NCAI, United Tribes of Michigan, and the Anishinabek Caucus of the Democratic Party in support of the removal of the General Custer Equestrian Monument. Discovered and reported a “Teen Night Club” that was operating illegally in Monroe Charter Township.

**Gun Reform:** I completely support the Second Amendment, but I am a firm believer that we need better gun laws to prevent unnecessary deaths, especially school shootings. I support legislation that will require adults to keep a firearm in a securely locked container if they know it is accessible to minors. Gun-safety devices like safes, lock boxes and trigger locks would be exempt from Michigan’s sales tax. Everyone has a right to feel safe and to be free from gun violence, and that the epidemic of gun violence in the United States is a public health epidemic that can be addressed through government action.

**Roads & Infrastructure-** I will support policies and investment to fix our roads and bridges, ensuring families and businesses can depend on the connections they need each day.

**Access to Health Care:** I will fight to protect healthcare by standing up for people’s access to critical health services such as birth control, mental health services, and cancer screenings. I would advocate to pass the SB 70 bill which would repeal the 1931 Michigan law banning abortions. Reproductive Rights are human rights and women and people who become pregnant should have the choice to make their own decisions during their pregnancies. I support full gender equality including women's health access, reproductive rights, and equal pay regardless of gender assigned at birth. Most of all I believe that health care for everyone in America is a human right and I would support all legislation that would enable Medicare for all.

**Education & Teacher Support:** As a mother and former daycare administrator all children and our educators need to feel comfortable and safe inside of their learning environments. Our educators have the most important jobs, but their salaries do not reflect that. I support increases in teachers wages and increases in mental health services for both teachers and students.

**Environment:** Ensure the Great Lakes and critical sources of drinking water are protected from contamination by toxic chemicals such as PFAS. I will hold corporate polluters accountable, strengthen our drinking water infrastructure and demand protections that keep our communities, and our kids, safe. I agree that climate change is human made, threatening our planet, and needs to be addressed through government action.

**Veterans:** I respect and support our Veterans and I do believe we should be doing everything possible to help them with resources they need to live a great quality of life. Our Vets deserve increased access to medical care and mental health services as well as housing support.

I am the right person to represent this community because I am a little bit of each member of it. I have lived here all my life and I have been standing up and fighting for what I believe in

for as long as I can remember. Our past generations have let us down and being a mother of two children there is nothing I would not do to make sure they have the future they deserve.

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