



## Why I Support Dario Anselmo for the Hennepin County Board

Former State Rep. Dario Anselmo is a candidate for the Hennepin County Board (District 6) and faces a primary challenge. I have had the opportunity to get to know Dario since his election to the legislature and have gained great respect for his thoughtfulness and common-sense approach to government. He is the kind of politician that once was the Minnesota standard - a person who could draw support from labor, business, environmentalists and other interests across the political spectrum. He will bring to the Hennepin County Board a commitment to finding local, effective and, where possible, private-public solutions to affordable housing, transportation, climate change and environmental protection, access to quality mental health services and other critical issues.

More than his thoughtful service, he will bring to the Hennepin County Board the hope that he and other county and local officials will be in the vanguard of reforming politics and policy in Minnesota. Innovative solutions aren't going to be found at the polarizing extremes of the far right and far left - the politics that dominate national elections and, increasingly federal and statewide contests in Minnesota - but in the broad center that represents most Minnesotans. That doesn't mean "mushy purple" compromises that take just enough from conservatives and liberals to be acceptable to both without being effective. Rather, it is the center - building on shared values to create new and better solutions for the future - where we will find 21st century solutions to today's challenges and opportunities.

If you live in District 6 (see the map), please join me August 11 (early voting already is available) and vote Dario Anselmo for the Hennepin County Board.

