

Hwang Promises 'Better Days Ahead' After Successful Re-election



State Senator Tony Hwang celebrates his win with his wife, Grace, after receiving the good news.

Shortly after his successful win against Democrat Michelle McCabe to continue to represent the 28th Senatorial District, Republican state Senator Tony Hwang made some vows.

He promised voters he would work to help businesses impacted by COVID-19 in their recovery, to assist the district's working families and other vulnerable populations who continue to struggle and to help children safely return to their classrooms.

"Our businesses need an opportunity to recover, our children need to be able to return to the classroom safely, and our democratic institutions and economy require strengthening," Hwang said. "I remain committed to serving the best interests of our community and representing all of you. Better days lie ahead, and we will get there by working together to find solutions to the challenges before us."

According to unofficial vote results, Hwang beat McCabe by just over 2,000 votes, including a vote margin in Easton of 2,776 to 2,173. The unofficial numbers were 31,494 for Hwang and 29,447 for McCabe.

"I am incredibly thankful for the continued trust placed upon me by the voters of the 28th Senate District," Hwang said. "I am humbled to be given the opportunity to continue to represent and serve our community and state. I would also like to acknowledge Ms. McCabe, for a hard-fought campaign and wish her well."

McCabe, a Fairfield resident who currently works as the director of the Center for Food Equity and Economic Development at the Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport, ran a Connecticut-focused campaign. If elected, McCabe said that one of her priorities was to tackle the high cost of medical insurance and expand access to mental health care.

"I planned to bring my persistence and courage to see policies enacted that could bring immediate relief to the high cost of living in Connecticut while making sure that we leave no one behind," McCabe said.

Hwang will serve his fourth term in the state Senate. He previously served three terms as a state representative from the 134th district.

Hwang campaigned on his legislative record to rebuild the state's economy after COVID-19 and restoring jobs. Locally, he said, he would maintain local control and input on housing, land use and zoning against the state-mandated 8-30g density housing law and educational excellence.