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**DEMOCRATIC COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR
ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR
MAYOR OF ANN ARBOR**

Democrat Christopher Taylor today announced his candidacy for Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor. Taylor is serving his third term as member of Ann Arbor City Council, representing the Third Ward.

“Ann Arbor is a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family,” Taylor said. “Ann Arbor’s success comes from a careful balance of fiscal responsibility, enduring neighborhoods, a vibrant downtown, high-quality parks, constant infrastructure improvement, and vigilant environmental stewardship. I look forward to working with residents, staff, and colleagues to preserve and build upon this legacy of excellence.”

“If elected, I will remain focused on these important priorities to protect and improve our quality of life,” Taylor continued. “I know, however, that I don’t have all the answers. Our active, educated population is a tremendous resource. I look forward to spending the next eight months knocking on doors throughout Ann Arbor and listening to voters’ opinions, hopes, and concerns.”

“I had the pleasure of serving with Christopher for four years on City Council,” said former Fifth Ward Councilmember Carsten Hohnke. “He always approaches the complex issues that come before Council by reaching out for broad input and engaging in careful analysis. His competence, collegiality and clear, balanced vision of a thriving community will serve Ann Arbor exceptionally well.”

During his service on City Council, Taylor worked to save Mack Pool and the Senior Center, negotiated to successfully bring millions of dollars into the City through a new parking agreement, pressed for pension reform, fought to remove graffiti from our downtown, strengthened penalties and enforcement options for tenant littering and solid waste violations, expanded the City’s noise ordinance, improved the crosswalk ordinance, listened to residents to re-energize streetlights, worked to prevent the spread of impervious surfaces in our neighborhoods, advocated successfully for the prudent increase of fire services staffing, and spearheaded the ban on digital billboards.

“Although developing legislation is important, constituent service is a crucial part of government service,” Taylor said. “Whether it’s helping a resident with tree removal, responding to ensure swift street/pothole repair, getting a stop sign planted on a busy school crossing, or pressing to remove blighted structures from neighborhoods, I’ve enjoyed my service on Council most when I am able to help residents solve their everyday problems.”

Taylor has lived in Ann Arbor for more than 25 years. He is a lawyer with the firm of Hooper Hathaway, where he represents local companies with an emphasis on business,

corporate, and intellectual property law. Taylor has earned four degrees from the University of Michigan: a B.A. in English, a B.M.A. in Vocal Performance, an M.A. in American History, and a J.D. As an undergraduate, Taylor was President of a 500+ member student-housing cooperative. During his studies at the University of Michigan School of Law, he served as editor-in-chief of the *Michigan Law Review*. Active in the community, Christopher has been a member of the Board of Directors of 826michigan and Ann Arbor in Concert.

Taylor and his wife, Eva Rosenwald, live on Brooklyn Ave. with their two middle-school children, Henry and Ruby.

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