



News from State Representative Bill Mitchell

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Rep. Mitchell to retire at end of term

CLINTON – State Representative Bill Mitchell (R-Forsyth) announced Thursday that he will not seek re-election to the Illinois House of Representatives in 2018. He will continue to focus on serving his constituents and representing their interests in Springfield until the completion of his current term in January 2019.

“I am here today to announce that I will not be running for re-election to the Illinois House,” Rep. Mitchell said. “It has been an honor to serve the people of Central Illinois in the General Assembly. I want to thank my constituents for allowing me the privilege of serving them for nearly two decades now. I also want to thank my family, friends and neighbors for their support over the years and all those who worked with me to make a positive difference for our community.”

Since first being elected in 1998, Bill Mitchell has represented the following counties: Macon, Champaign, Christian, Cumberland, DeWitt, Effingham, Logan, McLean, Piatt, Sangamon, Shelby and Tazewell.

“The people of Central Illinois have given me more than I could ever repay: the honor to serve them,” Mitchell said. “During my remaining time in office, I will continue to fight for good-paying jobs for our working families, a high-quality education for every child, and the protection of vital services for our seniors.”

Representative Mitchell has served in the Illinois House since 1999. He previously served on the Decatur City Council and was Decatur Mayor Pro Tem from 1997-1998.

During his time in office, Bill Mitchell made job creation his top priority. He helped lead the effort to pass the Future Energy Jobs bill, legislation that will allow the Clinton Power Station to remain open for another 10 years, protecting thousands of good-paying jobs. Rep. Mitchell served as the Republican Spokesman for the House Bipartisan Job Creation Task Force and previously served as Chairman of the House Republican Task Force on Rural Economic Development.

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