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**Elect Seth A. Carson to The  
Wyoming House Representatives District 45  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

# Press Release

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## Carson announces his run for the Wyoming House of Representatives House District Seat 45

Laramie, WY, March 5, 2008: Seth Carson announced Wednesday that he will be again running for the Wyoming State House of Representatives District 45 seat again. After a razor thin election with a Secretary of State ordered recount in November 2006, Seth Carson intends to double his efforts to strengthen his constituency and voter support along with louder messaging of his campaign "A Future for Wyoming". His main purpose for running is to act "as a solution provider and concerned citizen regarding change that is needed in how our state's energy and conservation mindset, policy, and investment need to be replanted and redirected."

"If we are to ever overcome a boom and bust economy in Wyoming, and move quickly to expand our economic diversities and conservation, health, and safety protections, it is imperative that the people elect more change makers and visionaries to the state capital this fall at the ballot box."

### Overview of Campaign and Platforms

Carson hailed that a bright and new sustainable future is possible for Wyoming, but only if we move from fossil fuel extraction to a diverse, high tech economy sector. This will he stated "require political will and vision along with recognition that good stewardship of our quality of life needs to be protected, to remain as our strongest selling point to new technology sector businesses and industries growing in Laramie and around the state."

Seth Carson stated he will emphasize the following and conduct an educating campaign to inform voters of his goals, issues of the future, and aspirations he plans to accomplish while in office. "We are going to need to do a lot if we are going to have a positive future in Wyoming after this next boom."

1. Carson will encourage the sale and use of renewable energy and clean biofuels around the state. He will assist in increasing energy efficiency with savings to consumers along with the support of conservation of our natural resources in and around state. Methods and solutions include the following:

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- a. Introduction of a long-term legislative extension of the "Sales and Use Tax" exemption to spur investments in renewable energy. The intent would be to extend it until 2020 to make Wyoming a leader in the renewable energy economy.
  - b. Introduction of a Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard (RPS) with legislation that diversifies our energy industry in the state to reach 20 percent renewable energy by 2020.
  - c. Introduction of legislation allowing all Wyoming governmental entities the right to bid for and purchase "green energy" or "green tags" as a method to offset carbon emissions and provide utility. An example would be to make city hall "wind powered" by buying wind energy produce offsite.
  - d. Provide more energy efficiency funding and programs to local governments, municipalities, small business, and individuals.
  - e. Initiate a climate action committee to plan and execute the reduction of the states carbon dioxide emissions and protect against climate change. "Climate change is a serious problem that is and will continue to need to be addressed. Problematic issues such as water shortages for cities, towns, and agriculture, along with changes in vegetation will affect wildlife, our quality of life, and security of our state."
  - f. Protect the states open spaces, wildlife and fishing habitats, and beautiful landscapes that are key to our quality of life.
2. Move the state away from the boom and bust that comes from the reliance on fossil fuels into a diversified economy. One method includes the expansion of the state's Wyoming Business Council's business grant committed and readiness programs.
  3. Build our social and education programs and institutions around the state. This includes both the University of Wyoming and Wyoming Community Colleges along with support for children's education and drug addiction solutions and centers.
  4. Provide support for the expansion of the state's healthcare programs to fill gaps of the uninsured and increase the overall quality of local affordable healthcare
  5. Provide support to our law enforcement and firefighters who put their lives on the line everyday in the state that help protect people and property.

"We can get there, with our great resources, but only if the state takes a leadership role in moving Wyoming into the 21<sup>st</sup> century." "Laramie's contribution to the success of Wyoming's economy, education, and quality of life will best be told by someone that has been here for almost twenty years, served the public for four, and shares our community's ideals and values."