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PINTO ENDORSED BY TIM MAHONEY

St. Paul, Minnesota, January 29, 2010 – Dave Pinto, a domestic violence prosecutor in the Ramsey County Attorney's Office, announced today that Tim Mahoney (D-St. Paul), the six-term state representative from St. Paul's East Side, has endorsed his candidacy for Ramsey County Attorney.

“Dave Pinto serves our community in court daily, where he fights for vulnerable children and families,” Mahoney said. “As the only candidate in court every day prosecuting crimes, he is uniquely qualified to serve as Ramsey County Attorney.”

Mahoney pointed out that the Ramsey County Attorney's Office needs a leader who combines experience as a prosecutor with strong management skills and a clear and concrete vision for the office. Pinto is the only candidate who has released a comprehensive plan for leading the office, available at <http://www.davepinto.com>.

“Dave's plan, which draws on his service in the office and the breadth of his legal experience, will help both promote public safety and protect individual rights,” Mahoney said.

Mahoney has served in the State House of Representatives since 1998. He is chair of the Bioscience and Workforce Development Policy and Oversight Division, and serves on several other committees including Civil Justice and Ways and Means.

“Tim Mahoney is one of our state's legislative leaders,” Pinto said. “Our campaign is gaining energy and momentum, and I'm very proud to have his support.”

Pinto has the support of many other community leaders, including former St. Paul Mayor George Latimer, State Sen. Dick Cohen (D-St. Paul), Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, and a number of suburban mayors and city council members. His candidacy has also been endorsed by St. Paul Democrats for Civil Rights and the St. Paul chapter of the DFL Progressive Caucus. For a list of more community leaders supporting him, visit <http://www.davepinto.com>.

A Ramsey County native, Pinto specializes in domestic violence cases in which children are present, working to break the cycle of violence in their families. He is seeking the DFL endorsement in 2010.

For more information about Pinto's campaign, visit <http://www.davepinto.com>.

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