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Dear Fellow Republican,

You may have recently received a letter which was signed by a number of prominent Republicans endorsing Kathleen Boutin for the "non-partisan" Henderson City Council race. Here are the two most important things you need to know about that letter...

1) There is no such thing as a "non-partisan" race; and 2) She is a converted Democrat.

The reason why we say there is no such thing as a "non-partisan" race is that Democrats regularly and often use them to move up the political ladder to partisan positions of far greater power and influence.

For example, now-Congresswoman Shelley Berkley was on the "non-partisan" Board of Regents, as was now Clark County Commissioner Steve Sisolak.

Clark County Commissioners Larry Brown and Lawrence Weekly both got their start as "non-partisan" city councilmen. These Democrats used "non-partisan" seats to run for higher offices:

"Non-partisan" Henderson Mayor Jim Gibson who ran for governor. Former "non-partisan" Las Vegas Mayor Jan Jones who ran for governor. Former "non-partisan" Regent Jill Derby who has run the last two elections against Republican Congressman Dean Heller.

Which brings us to the fact that Kathleen Boutin is now a Democrat.

The party of Barack Obama. The party of Harry Reid. The party of Nancy Pelosi. The party of Hillary Clinton. The party of Dina Titus. The party of Shelley Berkley. The party of Oscar Goodman. The party of Rory Reid. The party of Barbara Buckley. The party of organized labor. The party of the trial lawyers. The party of most of the mainstream press. The party of MoveOn.org. The party of Hollywood. The party of ACORN. The party of Planned Parenthood. The party of PETA. The party of the ACLU.

While we can respect someone having a serious difference with the GOP over the War in Iraq - which is the reason Boutin cites for leaving the Republican Party - that doesn't explain why she would crawl with the likes of Harry Reid & Company.

We parents have been teaching our children for generations that you're known by the company you keep, and having the support of nine "establishment" Republicans - only a couple of whom actually live in Henderson, by the way - doesn't wipe out fact that Boutin's new political friends belong to the party of the handout, not the party of a hand up.

Republicans and Democrats, while both wanting the best for their communities, have vastly different ideas on how to do that. This isn't about Republicans and Democrats so much as it is about a candidate's approach to solving problems. Republicans trust and support individuals and small businessman. Democrats trust and support government and bureaucrats. This core philosophical difference is at the heart of why most people register to vote with one or the other parties. By consciously choosing to affiliate with the Democratic Party, she has revealed her core faith in large and would bring that belief system to the Henderson City Council.

We urge Republican voters in Henderson to take these considerations into account as you east your ballots in the upcoming municipal elections. Let's not give yet another Democrat a "non-partisan" launching pad for future political aspirations.

Sincerely yours, Live Lauren

Sue Lowden Chairman

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P.S. The Republican candidates running in the race are Jim Dunn, visit the website at www.ElectJimDunn.com or call (702) 813-8356, and Bruce Cutler, call him at (702) 375-2550 or email him at BruceCutler@hotmail.com.