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DEMOCRAT DOLLINGER ACCEPTS WDKX (103.9FM) ON-AIR DEBATE CHALLENGE; ROBACH REMAINS UNCOMMITTED

Republican Robach a frequent guest on Saturday A.M. show

Rochester, NY – October 22, 2008 – Today, Democratic State Senate candidate Rick Dollinger announced that Rochester-based WDKX 103.9FM had challenged he and his Republican opponent Joe Robach to debate the concerns important to their listeners on-air. Dollinger agreed without hesitation and has urged Robach to join him in helping the voters of Monroe County make an informed decision about who shares their values and beliefs on critical issues.

"Getting Republican Joe Robach to show up at these events and hold a vigorous, substantive discussion has not been easy, but I believe that it is the duty and responsibility of those who run for elected office," said Dollinger. "I am hopeful that he will come around and agree to this debate since he has regularly made room in his schedule to appear on WDKX in a non-debate format. The voters want more than sound bytes and 30-second commercials. They can see right through avoidance tactics and want to hear straight from the horse's mouth an explanation for 40 years of failed Republican policies that have left Rochester in the lurch. I am more than willing to step up to the plate anytime, anyplace."

WDKX has extended this invitation to both campaigns and has not yet set a date and time in order to accommodate the candidates' schedules.

In conclusion Dollinger said, "We as a state and as a nation are at a crossroads. The voters of this district are faced with two choices: voting for real change, or supporting more of the same Republican policies that have cost us thousands of jobs, have left millions without health coverage, and have done nothing to improve the quality of life for city residents. Debates are important for this community, good for democracy, and great for New York State. I look forward to engaging the voters of this district as we hit the streets, and welcome every opportunity to help them make an informed decision on November 4th."

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***Rick Dollinger is available for comment throughout today and tomorrow.
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