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Forsyth County Primary Winners

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Hanes Burke takes Northeast Ward

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For the past 40 years, one name has been synonymous with the Winston-Salem City Council and the Northeast Ward - Burke, Vivian Burke, that is. Although Mayor Pro Tempore Burke announced her retirement earlier this year, thanks to the voters of the Northeast Ward, the Burke name will remain on the Winston-Salem City Council.

In Tuesday's primary election, Barbara Hanes Burke, Vivian Burke's daughter-in-law, defeated challengers Morticia "Tee-Tee" Parmon and Keith King to fill the vacant seat left by Vivian Burke.

Hanes Burke, who is a longtime educator, currently serves as vice chair of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools Board of Education. Before that, she served as an assistant principal at Carver High School. She also helped organize the N.E.X.T Step College and



Barbara Hanes Burke

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Career Fair and a community volunteer literacy initiative geared toward improving 3rd grade reading scores.

As representative for the Northeast Ward, Hanes Burke has said her priorities will be improving safety, increasing economic development, employment opportunities, and ensuring equitable access to resources. When she announced she was running for city council last December, Hanes Burke said she was eager to use her voice to bring about change in the Northeast Ward. She said, "I am eager to use my voice to continue to be a strong advocate while having an even broader impact on the community in which I live."

Once the polls closed and ballots started being tallied, it was clear early on that Hanes Burke would come away with the victory. With 20% of the precincts reporting, Hanes Burke had already won nearly 60% of the vote. A

closer look at the results shows Hanes Burke's supporters did most of their voting during early voting. Numbers show more than 1,000 early voters chose Hanes Burke over the other two candidates, while Parmon and King received less than 500 votes during the early voting period. In the end, Hanes Burke finished with 57% of the vote.

Shortly after her victory was made official, The Chronicle caught up with Burke to get her thoughts on the win. She said she was grateful to the voters of the Northeast Ward.

"I am excited and truly grateful to the voters of the Northeast Ward for entrusting me with their vote. I am looking forward to serving the community," Burke said.

Although she will not have a challenger in the general election, Barbara Hanes Burke will not officially take office until after the general election in November.

Manning runs away with Democratic nomination for newly drawn 6th District

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Local Democrat Kathy Manning defeated four others in the primary election, vying for the vacant seat in the 6th District of the U.S. Congress left by Representative Mark Walker, who didn't file for re-election. The newly drawn district includes parts of Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem.

Along with Manning in the race against Derwin Montgomery, the current state house representative and executive director of the Bethesda Center, were Ed Hanes Jr., former state house representa-

tive; Rhonda Foxx, former chief of staff for Congresswoman Alma Adams; and Bruce Davis, a former Guilford County Commissioner. Manning received an astonishing 56,665 votes, which is nearly 50% of the entire votes cast. Rhonda Foxx, who finished second, received 19.8% of the votes. Montgomery, a former Winston-Salem City Councilmember, received 12% of the votes, and Hanes, who is a native of Winston-Salem, received 4% of the votes cast.

A retired lawyer from Greensboro, Manning is best known for her involvement in the plan to revitalize downtown Greensboro. In 2018 she was unsuccessful in her bid to unseat Republican Ted Budd for Congress. Manning's platform touches on a number of areas including advocating for women's rights, improving public education, affordable healthcare,



Kathy Manning

Photo from Ballotpedia

and bringing an end to gun violence.

During a watch party on Tuesday evening when it seemed the race was out of reach, Manning said the people of the 6th District want a representative who can listen and can be

the voice of the people. She said what she enjoyed most about campaigning was going to different communities, connecting with people, and learning about their needs.

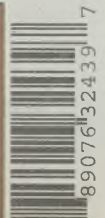
"The people are very interested in meeting you

and sharing their thoughts and their desires and their needs for the future," Manning continued. "In this district, people want to talk to their representative and they want a voice that represents them and they want to know that you're

listening."

Manning will face Republican Lee Haywood in the General Election. Haywood defeated Laura Pichardo in the primary election with 73% of the vote.

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