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RALEIGH BUSINESSMAN FILES FOR STATE SENATE SEAT

RALEIGH – Chris Mintz, a Raleigh businessman, filed as a Democrat challenger for State Senate District 15 held by incumbent Neal Hunt today. Mintz, 32, said he will focus on future generations by emphasizing a commitment to education, health care and transportation. “We must make sure our children are getting the best education possible,” Mintz stated. “We must do more to help our classroom teachers. That means increasing their pay but also helping them succeed in teaching our students.”

Mintz said he will fight to reduce the number of uninsured in Wake County and North Carolina. “There was a report in the newspaper earlier this week that showed there are nearly 90,000 people in Wake County without health insurance. In North Carolina, the census bureau reports there are approximately 1.3 million people who can’t afford health care insurance. What child in North Carolina is not worthy of health care? I will work to bring state government and the private sector together to help find solutions to provide affordable quality health care to our children and working families across this state.”

Another major topic Mintz wants to address in the North Carolina Senate is transportation. “The fast growing counties need more highway funds to keep up with demand. Clearly, we’re behind when it comes to meeting the core needs for new roads and maintenance in our state. In addition, I believe we are going to have to look at new ideas to promote mass transit options to help us better manage our transportation needs.”

“This is going to be a hard fought campaign, no doubt,” said Mintz. “I intend to raise the money and mount a campaign that hasn’t been seen in this district in a number of years. We need a State Senator who can deliver and who can represent the entire district – not just one philosophical group,” said Mintz.

Mintz and his wife, Mary Elizabeth, reside in Raleigh. They have two young girls, Virginia, 4 and Eliza, 2 . They are members of Edenton Street United Methodist Church in downtown Raleigh. Mintz is active in numerous civic and community affairs.