

Gabrielle Hanson, a Westhaven resident, officially announced her election campaign for Alderman At-Large in Franklin.

Franklin has enjoyed a meteoric rise to national attention being named a “Best of” by Forbes, Money Magazine, and other prominent ranking entities. This wasn’t always the case, as Franklin was once just a rural town on the way to Nashville. It is hard for those of us who call this storybook town our home, to imagine that Franklin wasn’t always the historically preserved treasure that it is today. The Franklin we know, and call home, was rebuilt by visionaries who selflessly gave of their time, energy and finances to revitalize a once fading rural community that played second fiddle to Nashville.

Hanson will focus on continued, dynamic economic growth that provides a diversified revenue stream for Franklin and, a lessened tax burden on the property owner. “Our city leaders have done a fabulous job attracting global corporate business as an economic driver. Continuing to focus on business growth, attracting world class dining, shopping and event venues, will build our financial resources so that Franklin remains fiscally strong.”

As Franklin continues to gain in popularity, and, population, the balance between rural and suburban must be maintained carefully to preserve the beautiful countryside, rural heritage, yet, provide the infrastructure needed to support a thriving, modern community. “Through my volunteer work with The Land Trust For Tennessee, I have had the opportunity to visit breathtaking, rural properties, that are being preserved for future generations to appreciate. I love being able to drive a few short minutes outside of town and be surrounded by rolling hills, lush valleys peppered with grazing cattle and horses.”

“I never take for granted that living in Franklin is a privilege. The level of public safety we enjoy is unprecedented. We are able to send our children to some of the best public schools in the nation, stroll the historically preserved streets, shopping, dining and be entertained by some of the nations’ finest performers.” I am running for Alderman At-Large to ensure that this lifestyle is maintained and that Franklin can be treasured by everyone for generations to come.

Hanson, and her husband Tom, who is in commercial real estate, are parents to a home schooled daughter, Ashton. They have a horse, Blue Belle. They attend Grace Church in Franklin.

Hanson completed the Franklin Citizens Government Academy. She is the former Chair of RPAC at the Williamson County Association of Realtors, served on the National Association of Realtors RPAC Participation Committee where she won top honors for Tennessee, serves as the current Political Coordinator to Jack Johnson with the Tennessee Realtors, and, is also on the Tennessee Realtors Government Affairs Committee and serves with Sister Cities International of Franklin. She is the principal broker and owner of Williamson Real Estate. Hanson was recently named The Best Realtor In Middle Tennessee by The Tennessean and was instrumental in initiating Tenn. Code Ann. §62-13-312(b)(11) that passed in spring of 2021, allowing Tennessee real estate licensee’s to be paid as an LLC.

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“Franklin is one of the kindest, most giving communities you will ever find. It’s genuine, a true treasure. I want to continue to make sure that Franklin is for everyone who dreams to call it home.”