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## **Former Governor Bill Owens Endorses Senator Barb Kirkmeyer for Governor**

**(Denver, CO – September 24, 2025)** – Former Colorado Governor Bill Owens today endorsed Senator Barb Kirkmeyer for Governor of Colorado, citing their long history of working together and her proven record of leadership.

“Barb Kirkmeyer is exactly what Colorado needs in this moment. Being an effective Governor requires core principles, vision, energy, and the ability to connect with people. Barb has all of that and more. She goes anywhere, takes on any issue, and talks to anyone. She takes on the toughest challenges with determination because she truly cares about the people of our state.

Owens continued, saying, “Our state faces tremendous challenges: crime remains high, too many schools are underperforming, and far-left policies are driving jobs out of Colorado and making life unaffordable for families.”

“If Coloradans are ready to disrupt the status quo and bring about much-needed change — affordability, lower cost of government, safety, better roads, and excellence in our schools — Barb Kirkmeyer is their candidate. She is a difference-maker.”

Owens concluded, saying, “I am proud to endorse Barb Kirkmeyer for Governor because she offers a real opportunity to break the left’s iron grip on our politics and restore Colorado as an

affordable place to live, work, and raise a family. It is time for strong leadership, and Barb Kirkmeyer is the right person for the job.”

Senator Barb Kirkmeyer responded: “I am deeply honored to have the support of Governor Owens, a leader from whom I learned so much. He understands that Colorado is at a crossroads, and his endorsement reinforces our campaign’s mission: to restore responsible leadership, make our state more affordable, and ensure Colorado families can thrive. With his trust and encouragement, I am more determined than ever to bring common-sense, conservative solutions to the Governor’s Office.”

Bill Owens is the last Republican Governor of Colorado, having been elected in 1998 and reelected in 2002, and Colorado’s only Republican Governor since 1975.

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