

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, THE PEOPLE ARE GETTING IT

The recent endorsement of **The Daily Dose**, the positive comments of bloggers on **Rhode Island Future**, the endorsement of the **Rhode Island Tea Party**, the endorsements of several local newspapers, the positive and glowing ‘non-endorsement’ of Philippe and Jorge, and too many more to mention, all demonstrate that supporting the concept of eliminating the office of Lieutenant Governor transcends philosophical and political divisions. A recent unscientific **Providence Journal** blog poll had over 80% favoring elimination of the office also supports this claim.

Both the political left and the political right are getting behind this effort (although with differing rationales). Both sides of the political spectrum clearly understand that wasting tax dollars is not in the best interest of anyone’s agenda.

Supporting my campaign to save taxpayers \$4 million of wasteful spending is not a liberal issue or a conservative issue. Liberals recognize the need to allocate vital resources properly, to best utilizing our limited resources. Conservatives abhor the waste. Everyone agrees tax dollars are a terrible thing to waste.

In austere times, liberals recognize that \$1 million a year could be better allocated to actual programs for the working poor, hungry children, the homeless, utility subsidies, education, and several other programs. Conservatives see the possibility of less taxation, or at the very least, spending on actual budgetary needs rather than on blather.

It really is a “no-brainer”. Think of it this way, if you are hungry and someone gives you \$100 to buy groceries, would you hire an “advocate” to tell you what groceries you need to purchase? Of course not, yet we have an “advocate” Lt. Governor telling us about what we need as citizens. The Lieutenant Governor’s office represents one million dollars of talk while Rhode Island needs that money to solve the problems we all face.

For whatever your motivation in supporting my campaign to become the last Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island and return \$4,000,000.00 to the state’s coffers, I thank you. I will not let you down.

Bob Healey
