



Oregon Senate Republicans

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Senate Republicans Elect New Leader

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the Senate Republicans announce the election of a new caucus leader, Senator Fred Girod (R-Stayton), representing District 9. Senator Herman Baertschiger, Jr. (R-Grants Pass) is not seeking re-election to the Senate and stepped down.

"Fred is our senior Senator and will represent us well," said Senator Baertschiger, Jr. "He has my full support."

Born and raised in Oregon, Senator Girod represents District 9, which encompasses parts of Clackamas, Linn and Marion Counties. A quiet and steadfast leader during his 15-year tenure in the legislature, he brings a wealth of knowledge of the legislative and political process. Senator Girod is a dentist by trade and understands the challenges small business owners face in Oregon, especially during the COVID-19 crisis.

"I am grateful for Senator Baertschiger's hard work and look forward to leading not just the Senate Republicans, but Republicans throughout this beautiful state," said newly elected Senate Republican Leader Girod. "I am excited to work alongside the House Republicans at this critical time in Oregon's history."

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