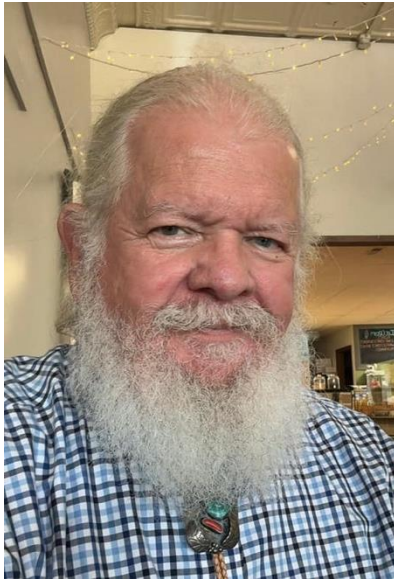


Henry Johns, candidate for the Kansas House District 5.



I live in rural Douglas County, where I raised horses. My work career path began over 50 years ago, in high school, weekend working nights in a small Florida hospital to pay for a car. I served in the Army as a Clinical Laboratory Specialist afterward attending the University of Kansas and later Creighton University's Respiratory Therapy program. I have a BS in Organizational Management from Friends University. I worked as a licensed Respiratory Therapist in the Emergency Dept, Intensive Care Unit as well as pulmonary & cardiology labs, before going into sleep medicine and becoming a registered Polysomnographer. I have worked in private practice as well as public sector. I spent the last 20 years of my career as a manager in both private practice and at the Veterans Administration. During that nearly 50 years, I learned the need for compassionate care; as well as the importance of the business side of medicine.

I feel that bodily autonomy, the right to make decisions about your own body without coercion, or intimidation, is a critical issue. Politicians should never come between a medical provider and patient.

I support Medicaid expansion in Kansas, for the working poor, to bridge the gap between those who qualify for Medicaid and those who can afford health insurance.

I support a fair tax plan that will support growth and still bring noticeable relief to Kansans. I feel that restarting the Local Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund(LAVTRF), a program that worked well from 1937 until it was stopped in 2003 and then killed in 2024, to return State tax dollars to the counties and help keep property taxes down.

Public dollars for public schools. Ensuring our schools are fully funded and teachers fairly treated. Kansas teacher's retirement plan is ranked 35th in the nation. Kansas legislators have a plan ranked 3rd in the nation. Our K-12 education is ranked 24th in the nation. We can do better. Public schools and education are one of the foundations of our nation.

I believe as Kansans, there is more that unites us than divides us. It is always possible to find common ground.

I would appreciate your support.

