



Wishing Nickol, Mackereth well

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On behalf of the nearly two dozen people from across York County who comprise the Board of YorkCounts -- York County's community-based, nonpartisan quality-of-life coalition -- I would like to offer our best wishes to state Reps. Bev Mackereth and Steve Nickol on their recent decisions to leave the Legislature -- Rep. Nickol to retire and Rep. Mackereth to join York County government this December. These two strong advocates for our area are applauded for their tireless service and trademark emphasis on working together with other legislators and with organizations in the community toward finding solutions.

Both Rep. Mackereth and Rep. Nickol have supported YorkCounts. Rep. Nickol has a widely known and deserved reputation as one of the sharpest minds in Pennsylvania government and has always been willing to lend his policy expertise to our discussions. And whether it was her continual commitment to meet with YorkCounts volunteers or her ability to deliver funding for the first-ever York County education costing-out study, Rep. Mackereth has been a true public servant.

We hope that the individuals who are chosen by the voters to replace these two will demonstrate

the same willingness to work across lines -- whether geographic, political or philosophical -- toward making our community a better place.

Bev and Steve are wished all the best.
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