

"I am a proud educator, organizer, and veteran, and today I add candidate to that list as I officially launch my campaign for California's 2nd Assembly District!

The natural beauty of our North Coast is unparalleled. In fact, it's one of the reasons my wife, Sandra, and I chose to call this corner of California home.

We first fell in love with the North Coast during my race for Chair of the California Democratic Party when I visited 58 counties in 58 days. I met with local grassroots leaders and working class families to learn more about the issues important to them and their communities.

As I look around our beautiful North Coast, I see the struggles that our communities face every day. The rising cost of living, the challenges in accessing healthcare, and the constant threats to our planet. Bottom line, we face more challenges and need more help than ever before – that's why I'm running for State Assembly.

My life's work has been dedicated to uplifting and empowering those around me - ensuring they got a helping hand when they needed it most. In the State Assembly, I will bring my experience as an educator, organizer and veteran to help our North Coast neighbors and all Californians.

We can protect the unparalleled beauty of our North Coast and strengthen our resilient rural communities. We can create more good jobs for our local workers, provide shelter for those without a home, and ensure quality healthcare for every single one of us. Together, we can lead the charge in the fight against climate change, preserving our precious planet for generations to come.

We have a lot of work to do, California. And I can't wait to get to it!

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-Rusty Hicks