

MORRISVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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I want to take this opportunity first to thank Jodi and the Chamber of Commerce for hosting this event and the League of Women Voters for their involvement in this forum tonight.

I am an ardent believer in the concept of TEAM. Time and again I've witnessed that you can never accomplish as much individually as you can as a team and I hope to further solidify the TEAM that comprises our current commissioners in Morrisville. I'll accomplish this by ensuring I know the issues and ramifications of proposals that come to the Board for vote AND I will ensure I speak for the citizens of Morrisville....what are OUR concerns and worries as residential and commercial properties continue to sprout up with little relief in the construction of roads.

What I bring to Morrisville are years of leadership and management experience gleaned from a 26 year career in the Marine Corps and civic involvement in my community. Literally, I have contributed thousands of hours of volunteer work in Morrisville and many other communities I've lived in during the last 31 years. A few of these efforts include:

- ◆ Adopt-a-Highway programs in Morrisville, Apex, and Virginia;**
- ◆ Grand Knight of a Knights of Columbus Council in Apex;**
- ◆ Current Vice President of the Triangle Chapter of the Military Officer's Association of America;**
- ◆ A trained Mediator and Dispute Resolution team member at Duke University**

And the list goes on. If you're interested, you can visit my website for more details.

What is my political background? Living and working in Washington, DC should count for something. But while there, I prepared and presented briefs to Congressional subcommittees and prepared annual reports for these same subcommittees. I bring an understanding of compromise and a common sense approach to our issues; I have often been referred to as a problem-solver.

I live by the values instilled in me during many years of service to our country---HONOR, the ability to be true to ones self and others; COURAGE, the ability to stand up and say no, when others are saying yes.; and COMMITTMENT, the ability to stay the course no matter how rough the road or waters get.

I thank you for your time and your vote. To learn more about me, what I believe the issues facing Morrisville are, and where I stand on these issues, I invite you to visit my website....www.electmikesnyder.com

Thank you and good night!