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**MAY 15, 2016
8:15 A.M.**

TIM KAINE

U.S. SENATOR

Tim Kaine was elected as United States Senator from Virginia in 2012. He has served as a missionary, civil rights lawyer, and teacher, and has the rare distinction of having held public office as a mayor, as a governor, and as a United States senator.

Senator Kaine serves on the Armed Services, Budget, Foreign Relations, and Aging Committees. He is Ranking Member of the Armed Services Readiness Subcommittee and the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development.

His Armed Services Committee work enables him to tackle a personal mission—the reduction of unemployment among veterans, especially Iraq and Afghanistan-era veterans. His first piece of legislation in the Senate, the Troop Talent Act of 2013, established new standards to help active duty service members attain civilian credentials for military skills to assist their transition into the workforce. On the Foreign Relations Committee, he is a leading voice in efforts to expand the role of Congress on foreign policy and improve the way Congress and the President consult on matters of war, peace and diplomacy. He has introduced bipartisan legislation to revise the War Powers Resolution of 1973 and coauthored the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act, establishing the process for congressional review of the diplomatic effort to block any Iranian nuclear weapons program.

He has introduced many pieces of important legislation for Virginia in the 114th Congress, including bills to recognize six Virginia Indian tribes and that encourage measures to prevent opioid overdose deaths. He also has championed successful legislation to encourage public secondary schools to teach students about how to prevent dating violence and sexual assault.

Senator Kaine grew up working in his father's ironworking shop in Kansas City. He was educated at the University of Missouri and Harvard Law School and started his public service career by taking a year off from Harvard to run a technical school founded by Jesuit missionaries in Honduras. After law school, he practiced in Richmond for 17 years, specializing in the representation of people who had been denied housing due to their race or disability. He began teaching part-time at the University of Richmond in 1987.

The senator was first elected to office in 1994, serving as a city council member and then Mayor of Richmond. He became Lieutenant Governor of Virginia in 2002 and was inaugurated as Virginia's 70th Governor in 2006.

Senator Kaine is married to Anne Holton, who currently serves as Virginia Secretary of Education. The Kaines are the parents of three grown children and have lived in the same Northside neighborhood in Richmond for more than 30 years.

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The Honorable Tim Kaine

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