MEET TED ARNOTT, PC CANDIDATE | MEET STEPHEN KITRAS.

NAME: Ted Arnott RIDING: Wellington-Halton Hills

PARTY: Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario

OCCUPATION Career poli-

RESIDENCE: Fergus PAST POLITICAL EXPERIENCE:

Arnott has served as Speaker of the House since 2018. In this non-partisan role, he encouraged MPPs to work together across party lines and improve the tone of debates. At the same time, he ensured his constituents' views were heard, and continued to advocate for the community's needs. He was first elected in 1990. He is seeking his ninth term in office.

HOW WOULD YOU GRADE THE PROVINCE'S COVID-19 RE-SPONSE, AND WHY?

I wouldn't give them a grade. I don't think I'm in the position to do that. However, I believe all mem-



Tavis Nembhard photo **INCUMBENT MPP TED ARNOTT**

bers of the legislature have worked hard to respond to COVID-19, the crisis it represented and the challenge the province faces.

It's up to the people on how the government responded or how the legislature handled it.

WHAT ISSUES ARE AT THE FOREFRONT IN WELLINGTON-HAL-TON HILLS?

With the rising cost of living, essentials such as groceries, fuel and housing



are becoming unaffordable for many people. All orders of government must work together to confront inflation and keep Ontario's economy on track. Health care, long-term care, education, the protection of our environment, and support for farm families and agribusiness must remain priorities.

IF ELECTED, WHAT DO YOU **PLEDGE TO DO?**

I intend to make no promises except my best efforts on behalf of the people of our riding. If the pandemic has taught us anything, it is that the future is uncertain, and each of us must do our part to make our communities stronger. safer, more compassionate and more sustainable.

NEW BLUE CANDIDATE

NAME: Stephen Kitras RIDING: Wellington-Halton Hills

PARTY: New Blue Party of Ontario

OCCUPATION: Business owner

RESIDENCE Montrose

PAST POLITICAL EXPERIENCE:

I have been the Ward 5 Councillor in Centre Wellington for two terms since 2014. I have a very strong reputation for pursuing transparency and accountability for taxpayers and residents, from challenging nestle about water extraction to attainable housing, proposing new economic development and its financing, community mental health and hospitality.

HOW WOULD YOU GRADE THE PROVINCE'S COVID-19



Stephen Kitras photo

STEPHEN KITRAS

SPONSE, AND WHY?

Doug Ford's public health response was D-. In my opinion, he covered up for his predecessor Conservative Premier Mike Harris, privatizing the long-term care system because Mike Harris is the chair of the board of directors of the largest private

company and could have been liable because of a $\overline{4}$ disproportionately high ± number of COVID cases and deaths that happened there, but three of the largest for-profit nursing homes paid \$1.5 billion in dividends to shareholders over the last decade.

IF ELECTED, WHAT DO YOU **PLEDGE TO DO?**

If elected, I pledge to stand up for ordinary working Ontarians, challenge the dismal statusquo left, and move in the right direction for all Ontarians. I am dedicated to eliminating medical discrimination caused by overreaching governments and absolutely no digital passports for our

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