

01/05/2004 Entry: "MORAN ANNOUNCES EIGHTH ANNUAL "BIG FIRST" LISTENING TOUR"

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MORAN ANNOUNCES EIGHTH ANNUAL "BIG FIRST" LISTENING TOUR
Moran to Hold Town Hall Meetings in 69 Counties in the First District

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Jerry Moran today announced the schedule for his eighth annual "Big First" Listening Tour. During the tour, Moran will travel more than 5,000 miles and meet with thousands of Kansans while visiting all 69 counties in the First Congressional District. The tour offers an opportunity for Moran to meet personally with Kansans to gather input and answer their questions about federal issues.

"The tour allows me to meet directly with Kansans to get their thoughts and concerns, which will help me to be a better representative for Kansans in Congress," Moran said. "The town hall setting has been a useful way to meet with as many Kansans as possible, while getting suggestions directly to take back to Washington, D.C."

All events are open to the public and the media. Attached is a full schedule of events.

Eighth Annual "Big First" Listening Tour
Tuesday, December 16

Cimarron, Gray County; Vivian's Cafe, 408 West Avenue A, 12:00-1:00pm

Wednesday, December 17
Longford, Clay County; Coachlight Restaurant, 114 Weda, 10:30-11:30am

Thursday, December 18
Dighton, Lane County; Dighton High School, 200 South Wichita, 12:00-1:00pm

Monday, December 22
Ness City, Ness County; Ness City State Bank, Main and Pennsylvania Avenue, 8:30-9:30am

Wakeeney, Trego County; Western Co-op Association, 635 South 13th Street, 10:15-11:15am

Hill City, Graham County; Tropp's, 415 W. Main Street, 12:00-1:00pm

Tuesday, December 23
McCracken, Rush County; City Building, 102 West Beech, 9:00-10:00am

Monday, December 29
Oneida, Nemaha County; Oneida Community Building, 205th 5th Street, 9:00-10:00am

Home, Marshall County; Little Hap's Cafe, 210 Second Street, 10:30-11:30am

Washington, Washington County; Schooky's Deli, 207 C Street, 12:00-1:00pm

Scandia, Republic County; Scandia Community Center, 406 4th Street, 1:45-2:45pm

Jamestown, Cloud County; City Hall, 300 Walnut, 3:15-4:15pm

Tuesday, December 30

Gorham, Russell County; Gorham Cafe, 133 Market, 8:00-9:00am

Holyrood, Ellsworth County; American Legion Hall, 416 N. Main Street, 10:00-11:00am

Geneseo, Rice County; American Legion Hall, 601 Main Street, 11:15am-12:15pm

Marquette, McPherson County; Valley Cafe, 114 N. Washington, 12:45-1:45pm

Wednesday, December 31

Palco, Rooks County; Palco Cafe, 407 Main Street, 8:30-9:30am

Logan, Phillips County; Trojan Cafe, 107 West Main Street, 10:30-11:30am

Monday, January 5

Ashland, Clark County; Ashland Public Library, 604 Main Street, 3:30-4:30pm

Kinsley, Edwards County; City Hall-Community Room, 721 Main Street, 6:00-7:00pm

Tuesday, January 6

Osborne, Osborne County; Circle Inn Restaurant, 1106 West Highway 24, 10:00-11:00am

Beloit, Mitchell County; Municipal Building, 119 N. Hersey, 12:00-1:00pm

Burr Oak, Jewell County; Senior Center, 2:00-3:00pm

Kensington, Smith County; Senior Community Center, 102 North Pine and Main, 4:00-5:00pm

Wednesday, January 7

Greensburg, Kiowa County; Farmers Grain and Supply, 311 N. Main, 10:15-11:15am

Coldwater, Comanche County; Supper Club, 511 North Central, 12:00-1:00pm

Medicine Lodge, Barber County; SCTelcom, 101 South Main Street, 2:00-3:00pm

Pratt, Pratt County; Municipal Building, 3rd & Jackson, 3:45-4:45pm

Saturday, January 10

Hays, Ellis County; KSU Research Center, 1232 240 Avenue, 8:00-9:00am

Monday, January 12

Oakley, Logan County; Colonial Steak House, I-70 & US 83, 1:00-2:00pm

Colby, Thomas County; Senior Progress Center, 156 Fike Park, 2:30-3:30pm

Goodland, Sherman County; Western State Bank, 815 Center Avenue, 3:30-4:30pm MT

St. Francis, Cheyenne County; Windmill restaurant, West US 36, 6:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, January 13

Sharon Springs, Wallace County; Senior Center, 3rd block of Main Street, 8:00-9:00am MT

Tribune, Greeley County; Kuder Senior Center, 410 Broadway, 9:30-10:30am MT

Syracuse, Hamilton County; Ramble-N-Restaurant, 606 West US 50, 11:00am-12:00pm MT

Lakin, Kearny County; County Courthouse, 304 N. Main, 1:30-2:30pm

Holcomb, Finney County; City Hall, 200 North Lynch, 3:00-4:00pm

Thursday, January 15

Marion, Marion County; Country Dreams, 2309 Clover Road, 1:30-2:30pm

Strong City, Chase County; Youth Technology Center, 200 East Church Street, 3:00-4:00pm

Emporia, Lyon County; Chamber of Commerce, 719 Commercial Street, 5:00-6:00pm

Friday, January 16

Hamilton, Greenwood County; Stockyard Cafe, Main Street, 8:30-9:30am

South Hutchinson, Reno County; Pastoli's Grill, 11 Des Moines Avenue, 2:30-3:30pm

Friday, January 23

Richfield, Morton County; Richfield Fellowship Hall, 451 Walnut Street, 8:00-9:00am

Johnson, Stanton County; County Fare Restaurant, 105 South Main, 9:30-10:30am

Ulysses, Grant County; Pioneer Electric Co-op; 1850 W. Oklahoma, 11:00am-12:00pm

Satanta, Haskell County; Centera Bank, 218 Sequoyah, 12:30-1:30pm

Monday, January 26

Great Bend, Barton County; The Front Door, 9:00-10:00am

Hudson, Stafford County; Wheatland Cafe, 112 N. Main, 10:30-11:30am

Larned, Pawnee County; Jordaan Community Room, 502 Broadway, 12:00-1:00pm

Friday, January 30

Salina, Saline County; Tom's Appletree Restaurant, 2450 South 9th Street, 7:45-8:45am

Minneapolis, Ottawa County; John Henry Center, 301 West 2nd, 9:30-10:30am

Lincoln, Lincoln County; Senior Center, 116 West Lincoln Avenue, 11:00am-12:00pm

Thursday, February 5

Esbridge, Wabaunsee County; Annie Mae's Cafe, 113 South Main, 7:45-8:45am

White City, Morris County; Rolling Hills Senior Center, 9:30-10:30am

Enterprise, Dickinson County; Sunflower Cafe, 112 South Factory, 11:00am-12:00pm

Monday, February 9

Marienthal, Wichita County; Scott County Co-op, 100 Marienthal Road, 9:30-10:30am

Scott City, Scott County; Bryan Education Center, 416 Main, 11:00am-12:00pm

Friday, February 13

Grandview Plaza, Geary County; Stacy's Restaurant, 118 West Flint Hills Boulevard, 9:00-10:00am

Monday, February 16

Grainfield, Gove County; Eberle Insurance Company, 272 Main Street, 4:30-5:30pm

Selden, Sheridan County; Midway Cafe, US 83, 6:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, February 17

Atwood, Rawlins County; My Place Cafe, 305 Grant Street, 8:30-9:30am

Oberlin, Decatur County; County Courthouse, 120 East Hall Street, 10:00-11:00am

Norton, Norton County; American Legion Building, US 283, 12:00-1:00pm

Wednesday, February 18

Meade, Meade County; Chuck Wagon Restaurant, 807 West Carthage, 12:00-1:00pm

Liberal, Seward County; Rock Island Depot, 4 Rock Island Road, 2:00-3:00pm

Hugoton, Stevens County; Ranchito Cafe, 611 South Main Street, 4:00-5:00pm

Thursday, February 19

Dodge City, Ford County; Chamber of Commerce, 311 West Spruce, 10:00-11:00am

Jetmore, Hodgeman County; Wild Willie's Restaurant, 617 Main Street, 12:00-1:00pm

For more information, contact Congressman Moran at (202) 225-2715 or visit his web page at www.house.gov/moranks01/.