Lincoln vs. Young, Whitmore vs. Phillips

It has been our policy for a long time not to endorse candidates for public office, and we're not going to change that policy now.

We note with interest, however, Democrat Joni Whitmore's withdrawal from the race against Congressman Don Young. to challenge State House Speaker Gail Phillips of Homer. This move gives State Rep. Georgianna Lincoln a clear, unimpeded shot at Young. It also creates an interesting contest for Phillips' House seat, where before the incumbent had a free ride.

Now, voters have clear choices in both races, and that is good for the vigorous representative form of government with which we are blessed.