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## MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Ashley Aune

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## House Minority Whip Ashley Aune Running for Minority Floor Leader

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - State Rep. Ashley Aune, D-Kansas City, announces bid to run for minority floor leader for the 2025–26 legislative session.

For the last five years, Minority Floor Leader Crystal Quade, D-Springfield, has led the Democratic House Caucus with integrity, poise, and a passion for serving all Missourians. As minority floor leader, Aune will build upon Quade's legacy—ensuring the caucus' viability by continuing to invest in members and the Democratic infrastructure that has flipped four seats in the last two cycles.

"House Democrats intend to end the Republican supermajority in 2024 by flipping at least three more seats—and that's just the beginning," Aune said. "Continuing this momentum into 2025 and beyond will require bold leadership with a deep understanding of where our caucus has been and where our collective strength lies."

Since being elected in November 2020, Aune has actively stepped into leadership roles—serving as ranking member of Emerging Issues, whip for the minority caucus and communications chair for the House Democratic Campaign Committee (HDCC). With a professional background in marketing and communications. Aune has proven to be a strong voice for Missouri Democrats and looks forward to continuing to use her platform to lift up all Democratic voices.

"I have always put the priorities of caucus members and their communities first and foremost—supporting candidates in tough races like my own through fundraising, candidate recruitment and field strategy," Aune said. "Our strength as a caucus lies in our incredible diversity and continued ability to come together and solve the biggest challenges facing Missourians—from Kansas City to the boot heel."

House Democrats will elect new leadership following the general election in November, 2024. In the meantime, Aune is excited to continue working to earn the support of her caucus.

**House Minority Whip Ashley Aune D-Kansas City**