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Lt. Gov. Daugaard Wins S.D. GOP Governor Primary

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PIERRE — Lt. Gov. Dennis Daugaard, who ran a campaign that emphasized his rise from humble beginnings, defeated four other Republicans on Tuesday to become the party's candidate for South Dakota governor.

Daugaard will move on to the November election against Senate Democratic Leader Scott Heidepriem of Sioux Falls, who was unopposed for his party's nomination.

Daugaard said he was helped by people all over the state who introduced him to their neighbors. He said the campaign dealt with issues, but he also knew he had to introduce himself as a person because most people don't know much about a lieutenant governor.

"What you must do in a representative democracy is feel the person you elect represents some of your values and attitudes," Daugaard told The Associated Press. "I think people made judgments about whether they could

trust me and whether I would be fiscally responsible, a good salesman for South Dakota and a good listener."

With 90 percent of precincts reporting, Daugaard had 51.2 percent of the votes. Former Brookings Mayor Scott Munsterman was second with 18 percent, and Senate Republican Leader Dave Knudson of Sioux Falls was third with 15.8 percent. Sen. Gordon Howie of Rapid City had 11.6 percent, and Buffalo Gap rancher Ken Knuppe had 3.3 percent.

Daugaard, who was endorsed early by term-limited Gov. Mike Rounds, was considered the front-runner throughout the campaign and raised far more money than the other Republican contenders.

With much the campaign focusing on the candidates' plans for dealing with South Dakota's budget deficit and reviving the state's economy, Knudson repeatedly criticized the lieutenant governor for downplaying the seri-



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ousness of the state's budget problems. Daugaard, however, refused to get involved in a nasty fight on the issue.

He emphasized his hard work to get through college and become a banker and then director of the South Dakota Children's Home Society, which cares for abused and neglected children. Daugaard, 57, was in the state Senate in 1997-2002 and has been lieutenant governor since 2003.

He told voters his experience has trained him to be governor. "I can hit the ground running. I won't be learning on the job," he said.

Munsterman, 49, argued his experience as Brookings mayor showed he knew how to promote economic growth. He has practiced as a chiropractor in Brookings since 1984 and was on the city council before serving two terms as mayor.

Knudson, 60, focused his campaign on his ability to solve problems, calling himself Mr. Fix It. He has worked in a Sioux Falls law firm since 1975, when he graduated from New York University Law School. He was chief of staff for then-Gov. Bill Janklow in two brief

stints during the 1990s and has been in the state Senate since 2003, serving as majority leader the past four years.

Howie, 60, has worked in real estate, investment and has owned a variety of businesses. He billed

himself as the tea party candidate, voted against the state budget crafted by fellow Republicans because it increased state spending, and has been a sponsor of bills opposing abortion.

Knuppe, who turns 51 this week, said he would bring outside leadership into state government. His prior political experience mainly involved serving as president of the South Dakota Stockgrowers Association.

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ranking Republican in the chamber in the past two years.

Nelson, 45, spent less than the other two contenders, relying on his familiarity with voters to carry his campaign. He was state election supervisor for more than a dozen years before being elected secretary of state in 2002 and winning re-election in 2006.

Nelson said his time in public office gave voters a chance to know and trust him. The post also allowed him to attend GOP events and meet party activists across the state for many years. Nelson said he would support Noem in the effort to put a Republican majority in the U.S. House.

"I'm pleased with the kind of race we ran," Nelson said. "The voters decided to go a different direction and I respect that. The voters decided to go a different

direction and I respect that."

Curd, 42, is an orthopedic surgeon serving his first term in the South Dakota House. He said he wanted to go to Congress, change the nation's approach to health care, defense and other issues, and then return to his medical practice.

Curd frequently reminded voters that he is the only candidate in the race with military experience. He served in the U.S. Air Force in 1991-2000, leaving with the rank of major after service that included deployment to Kuwait.

Herseth Sandlin first ran for the House in 2002, when she lost to former Gov. Bill Janklow. After Janklow resigned following a manslaughter conviction for an

accident that resulted in the death of a motorcycle rider, Herseth narrowly won a 2004 special election to fill the vacancy. She then won the regular election in 2004 to gain her first full term, and won re-election by wide margins in 2006 and 2008.

The Democratic congresswoman issued a statement congratulating Noem on her primary win.

"Without a doubt, this is an important election with critical issues facing our country and so much at stake for families and businesses in our state. I look forward to the campaign ahead and talking to voters about my work on their behalf," Herseth Sandlin said.

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