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### Candidate Statement

My name is Graig Stephens, and I am running for the Board of the Soledad Community Health Care District. I was raised in Soledad, and after college, I returned with my wife to raise our family here. I have just completed my third term on the board. I am proud of what our current board has accomplished, and I want to be part of the continuing mission to expand quality health care for our patients and residents. I retired after completing my 40-year teaching career having taught at both Gonzales High and Soledad High. I have served as a council member on Soledad's city council and one term as mayor. I served over 25 years on the Soledad Volunteer Fire Department, many of those years as a medical first responder. I believe my background on Soledad, local emergency medical response needs, and on the Health Care District itself will continue to add a valuable perspective on the Soledad Community Health Care District Board. Thank you.