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Walz Quits Minn. Governor's Race. Klobuchar Eyes Run, Could Appoint Walz to Senate Seat.

Far-left Democratic Governor Tim Walz of Minnesota will not seek a third term as governor.

Walz announced his departure from the race today, clearing the way for equally far-left Democratic Senator Amy Klobuchar to run.

Walz blamed the far-reaching Somali fraud scandals that engulfed him and made him look like an out-of-touch, incompetent buffoon, although he partly created that image with his embarrassing run and subsequent loss for vice president as former Vice President Kamala Harris' running mate.



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Tim Walz

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I don't mince words here, Donald Trump and his allies - in Washington, in Saint Paul, and online - need to make our state a safer, stronger place. They need to pass our people against each other by attacking our neighbors. And, ultimately, they need to take away much of what makes Minnesota the best place in America to raise a family. They've already begun by taking our tax dollars that were meant to help families afford child care. And they have no intention of stopping there.

Make no mistake: We should be concerned about fraud in our state government. We cannot effectively deliver programs and services if we can't earn the public's trust. That's why, over the past few years, we've made systemic changes to the way we do business.

We've gone to the legislature time and again to get more tools to combat fraud. We've fired people who weren't doing their jobs. We've never people get to jail for

In September, I announced that I would run for a historic third term as Minnesota's Governor. And I have every confidence that, if I give it my all, I would succeed in that effort.

But as I reflected on this moment with my family and my team over the holidays, I came to the conclusion that I can't give a political campaign my all. Every minute I spend defending my own political interests could be a minute I can't spend defending the people of Minnesota against the criminals who prey on our generosity and the citizens who prey on our differences.

So I've decided to step out of the race and let others worry about the election while I focus on the work.

I know this news may come as a surprise. But I'm joining the race with zero illusions and zero regrets. After all, I don't run for this job as I could have this job. I run for this job as I would do this job. Minnesota faces an enormous challenge this year. And I refuse to spend even one minute of 2026 doing anything other than using to meet the moment. Minnesota has a come first, always.

But the political gamesmanship we're seeing from Republicans is only making that fight harder to win.

We've got Republicans here in the legislature playing hide-and-seek with whistleblowers.

We've got conspiracy theorists right-wing YouTubeers breaking into daycare centers and demanding access to our children.

We've got the President of the United States demonizing our Somali neighbors and wrongly confiscating children's funding that Minnesotans rely on.

It is disgusting. And it is dangerous.

Republicans are playing politics with the future of our state. And it's shameful. I've said it before, and I say it again: We welcome ideas from anyone, on any next January that there will be time to worry about all that later.

Today, I'm proud of the work we've done to make Minnesota America's best place to live and raise kids - from our new paid leave policy to our child tax credit to our free lunch program.

And I'm doubly proud of the incredible team we've put together to make that vision a reality. Thank you to every member of my staff, and every state employee, who's part of this fight. We need you on the job to tackle the important work ahead.

Most of all, I want Minnesotans to know that I'm on the job, 24/7, focused on making sure we stay America's best place to live and raise kids. No one will take that away from me.

Not the fraudsters. And not the President. Not on my watch.

Thank you.

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Resignation Letter

In his unnecessarily long, more-than-1,000-word resignation letter, Walz put the truth up front: Somali fraudsters ended his governorship.

“For the last several years, an organized group of criminals have sought to take advantage of our state’s generosity,” [he wrote](#).

“And even as we make progress in the fight against the fraudsters, we now see an organized group of political actors seeking to take advantage of the crisis,” he whined:



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I won't mince words here. Donald Trump and his allies — in Washington, in St. Paul, and online — want to make our state a colder, meaner place. They want to poison our people against each other by attacking our neighbors. And, ultimately, they want to take away much of what makes Minnesota the best place in America to raise a family. They've already begun by taking our tax dollars that were meant to help families afford child care. And they have no intention of stopping there.

Make no mistake: We *should* be concerned about fraud in our state government. We cannot effectively deliver programs and services if we can't earn the public's trust. That's why, over the past few years, we've made systemic changes to the way we do business.

Walz allowed that more must be done, and it would be if not for those mean-spirited Republicans. "But the political gamesmanship we're seeing from Republicans is only making that fight harder to win," [he wrote](#):

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The "conspiracy theorist" [is journalist Nick Shirley](#), who [revealed](#) that so-called Somali day care centers didn't have any kids under their care.

It was Shirley and political "opportunists" in Washington, those "willing to hurt our people to score a few cheap points," who drove him from the race. Thanks to them, he claimed, "I *can't* give a political campaign my all" because he would have to spend time defending his "own political interests" rather than "defending the people of Minnesota against the criminals who prey on our generosity and the cynics who prey on our differences."

Thus, did he quit the race, very selflessly of course. While he awaits the end of his disastrous second term, he wants Minnesotans to know "I'm on the job, 24/7, focused on making sure we stay America's best place to live and raise kids. No one will take that away from us. Not the fraudsters. And not the President. Not on my watch."

Klobuchar-Walz Switch?

Taking his place as top candidate will be Klobuchar, the [Minnesota Star Tribune reported](#) hours ago. She is "seriously considering" the race, the newspaper reported, citing Klobuchar insiders.

"Walz met with Klobuchar on Sunday, Jan. 4 before he announced the following morning that he is dropping out of the 2026 governor's race, multiple people familiar with the meeting said," the newspaper continued.

The other top candidate is [pro-crime Attorney General Keith Ellison](#) — [credibly accused](#) of domestic



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violence in 2018 — also tarred with the African-fraud brush.

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Tim Walz, Ilhan Omar, and Keith Ellison are DIRECTLY tied to the enormous Somali fraud ring..

Deport them all.

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In office since 2007, Klobuchar was reelected last year, which means taking over as governor in January 2027 after November’s election would leave her seat vacant until 2030. That strongly suggests that a Governor Klobuchar might appoint Walz to her Senate seat.

If so, if what is past is prologue, Walz might well be in for an even more embarrassing time in the rough-and-tumble of Capitol Hill politics.

Career Already in Shambles

His political career has been in shambles since his run for vice president. GOP opponent J.D. Vance crushed him in a political debate, during which [Walz admitted](#), “I’m a knucklehead.”

As well, [National Guard veterans raised issues](#) about his rank and why he retired from the service just



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before a deployment to Iraq.

And [aside from](#) his affair with the daughter of a top Chinese Communist Party official, [Walz's past also includes](#) a drunk-driving arrest.

Worse still is the name he received from opponents after [he signed](#) a bill requiring public schools to install tampon dispensers in boys' restrooms for those boys who falsely believe themselves to be the opposite sex and menstruate: "Tampon Tim."

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A retard and a coward.

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Most recently, Walz embarrassed himself by complaining that President Trump called him "seriously retarded."

As a result, [meanies were driving by his house calling him the "R word."](#)

And by "R word," he didn't mean Republican.



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