



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Lewis Lowe, 919-829-1132, ext. 102

March 4, 2008

## Senator Walter Dalton Kicks Off Campaign for Lieutenant Governor

Draws Cheering Crowd of Over 250 as He Officially Begins Campaign

SPINDALE- State Senator Walter Dalton, Democratic Candidate for Lieutenant Governor, officially kicked off his campaign last night in his home county at the Isothermal Community College in Rutherford County. Over 250 friends and supporters, including over a dozen local elected officials from Rutherford and Cleveland Counties, attended the event and were treated to barbeque, music by the local band Unknown Moniker, and remarks by Senator Dalton.

“It’s great to be back in Rutherford County with the same people who helped me get elected to the Senate 12 years ago,” Dalton said. “With your help, I will go back to Raleigh as Lieutenant Governor and continue to work on bringing our state better jobs, providing our children with a great education system, and lowering the cost of healthcare for all North Carolinians.”

Senator Dalton was introduced by State Representative Dr. Bobby England, who represents Rutherford County in the State Legislature.

“You are a part of history in the making by sending one of your own to Raleigh as the next Lieutenant Governor,” Rep. England said. “What he has meant to this county and state there is no way to measure. In Raleigh, I brag that that’s my senator and that’s one of my constituents.”

Senator Dalton is a past member of the Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees and he co-chaired the Education Committee in the Senate for four years before moving to his current position as co-chair of Appropriations. During that time, Senator Dalton was instrumental in passing legislation that made historic investments in education and made North Carolina’s community colleges some of the best in the country. As Lieutenant Governor, Senator Dalton hopes to expand on these gains as the office is a member of the State Board of Community Colleges.

For more information about Senator Dalton or the campaign, please visit [www.WalterDalton.org](http://www.WalterDalton.org).

-###-