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“Be Reachable, Be Accountable”

ACCOUNTABILITY STARTS WITH A RESPONSE

At just 23 years old, Representative Wyatt Gable’s path into public office did not start with a long term plan. It started with lived experience. As a high school student in North Carolina, he went through Hurricane Florence and the COVID-19 pandemic, two events that made it clear that government needs to feel closer to home and connected to people’s everyday lives.

What pushed him from awareness into action was something more personal. When he reached out to his local elected official, he expected a response. He never heard back. That moment stayed with him and shaped how he sees leadership. If someone reaches out, you answer.

For Gable, leadership is not about recognition or visibility. It is about responsibility. It is about being reachable and accountable to the people you represent. His decision to run for office grew directly out of that belief.

He did not wait for the right moment or perfect qualifications. He focused on what was happening locally and built a grassroots campaign rooted in real relationships and community support. One moment that stood out was when a supporter gave exactly what he needed to keep going. It was not just financial support, it was trust.

He is also clear about the reality of being a young leader. There is skepticism. Instead of pushing against it, he focuses on showing up, following through, and building credibility through small, consistent wins.

His story reflects something central to Youth Civic Challenge. Leadership does not begin with a title, it begins with a decision. It begins with paying attention, speaking up, and stepping in where you are.

Gable’s message is simple. Show up. Answer people. Stay consistent. Do the work. That is how leadership becomes real.