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## MELISSA GILBERT KNOWN FOR PLAYING LAURA INGALLS IS RUNNING FOR CONGRESS

### TO MAKE LIFE A BIT EASIER FOR FAMILIES

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**USPA NEWS** - Melissa GILBERT on campaign website: "I'm running for Congress to make life a little easier for all the families who feel they have fallen through the cracks in today's economy... I believe building a new economy is a team effort and we need to bring fresh voices to the table to get the job done..."

Best known playing the part of Laura INGALLS, she keeps staying in people's memory as the girl in "Little House on the Prairie". She was the youngest person to get a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, being the most successful television actress of her time, and touching the hearts of millions, a pattern which continues to this day.

As reminder :

Little House on the Prairie is an American one-hour dramatic television program starring Michael Landon as Charles Ingalls, a farmer who cares very much about his family. That aired on the NBC network from September 11, 1974, to March 21, 1983. During the 1982-83 television season, with the departure of Michael Landon, the series was broadcast with the new title Little House: A New Beginning.

Melissa Gilbert, in 2009, was still being seen as Laura Ingalls in the T.V. version of "Little House on the Prairie"<sup>[1]</sup>. So, she was starring as Ma Ingalls in a live musical adaptation of Little House.

In 2015, she is still mentioned as "the former Little House On The Prairie Star" and she is running for Congress as a Democrat. So, she will be challenging incumbent freshman Republican Mike Bishop in Michigan's 8th District, where she and her husband, actor Timothu Busfield live. She announced she's was running for Congress on August 10, 2015.

She twitted : "Please join me in my fight for working families".

According to MSNBC.com, Melissa intends to focus on issues confronting women, children and families.

She was very quickly attacked by Bishop's campaign spokesman Stu Sandler pointing out that Melissa Gilbert was owning thousands of dollars to the IRS.

"Melissa Gilbert can afford to have a stylist and a Louis Vuitton collar for her dog, but cannot pay her taxes. Her Hollywood values are out of whack with the district" (Statement to CNN)

"I think it's very, very exciting news,"<sup>[2]</sup> said county Democrat party chairwoman Judy Daubenmier, "We worked with her on the Schauer campaign (for governor) and, I can tell you, she's a real trooper. She'll be a very effective campaigner."<sup>[3]</sup> Reported by Livingston Daily

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