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In the storied Eighth Suffolk District, including Beacon Hill, Back Bay, and parts of Cambridge, Democrat **Martha Marty Walz** is the clear choice to take over the seat vacated by Paul Demakis. A lawyer, former assistant director of human resources in the Boston School Department, and president of the Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay, she would bring a varied background and a brisk, results-oriented style to the job. She has a pragmatic view of the state's tight budget.