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Mike Conaway Looks into the Heart of Texas and Taxes

*David Beasley, Senate candidate from South Carolina for Hollings' open seat,
signs the Americans for Tax Reform's "No New Taxes" Pledge.*

WASHINGTON –Mike Conaway, candidate for Texas' re-drawn 11th District, signed the Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) Taxpayer Protection Pledge, committing him to “oppose any and all efforts to increase the marginal income tax rates for individuals and/or businesses...and oppose any net reduction or elimination of deductions and credits, unless matched dollar for dollar by further reducing taxes.” ATR has offered the Pledge to all federal candidates since 1987.

Current Texas Pledge signers include Representatives Ron Paul, Lamar Smith, Tom DeLay, and Pete Sessions, and Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn, just to name a few. [For more pledge related information or a more complete list of national Pledge signers, please visit the ATR website at http://www.atr.org/pdffiles/national_signers_incumbent.pdf.] To date, President George W. Bush, 42 U.S. Senators and 217 members of the U.S. House of Representatives have taken the Pledge. Additionally, eight governors and over 1,190 state Senators and Representatives have made this commitment to their taxpayers.

“Texans should be proud of Mike Conaway and willingness to commit to Lone Star State taxpayers,” said taxpayer advocate and president of Americans for Tax Reform (ATR), Grover Norquist. **“He is standing up for families, businesses, and all hard-working people of the state by committing himself to a fiscally responsible term in Congress.”**

Mike Conaway has worked closely with the Texas legislature and federal and local officials during his 7-year Bush appointment to the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (TSBPA).

“Signing the Pledge shows Mr. Conaway’s willingness to show his dedication to taxpayers in Texas and across the country,” continued Norquist. **“I encourage all federal and state candidates to commit to leading responsibly, showing their allegiance to their states and country.”**

For inquiries about the Pledge, please visit www.atr.org or call (202) 785-0266.

Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all federal, state and local tax increases.
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