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Who Will Defend Pennsylvania Taxpayers?

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Americans for Tax Reform applauds the following candidates for signing the Taxpayer Protection Pledge sponsored by ATR. By signing the pledge, a candidate commits “to oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.”

ATR asks all candidates for federal and state office to stand in solidarity with the taxpayers of their entire state, and district if applicable. President Bush has signed the Pledge, and in so doing he joins 42 U.S. Senators, 217 Members of the U.S. House of Representatives, eight Governors, four Lieutenant Governors, two Attorneys General, four Secretaries of State, four Treasurers, and more than 1270 state legislators.

In Pennsylvania, the following candidates have chosen to stand up for the taxpayers and signed the Pledge

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| 1. Daryl Metcalfe (H-12) | 9. Jess Stairs (H-59) | 17. Matthew Wright (H-142) |
| 2. Rod E. Wilt (H-17) | 10. Dave Reed (H-62) | 18. Katherine McDowell Watson (H-144) |
| 3. Jeffrey Habay (H-30) | 11. Tom Yewcic (H-72) | 19. Stephen Barrar (H-160) |
| 4. Thomas Stevenson (H-42) | 12. Camille George (H-74) | 20. Kerry Benninghoff (H-171) |
| 5. Lawrence Roberts (H-51) | 13. Gibson C. Armstrong (H-100) | 21. Kelly Lewis (H-189) |
| 6. James E. Shaner (H-52) | 14. Samuel Rohrer (H-128) | |
| 7. Joseph A. Petrarca (H-55) | 15. Dennis Leh (H-130) | |
| 8. James E. Casorio, Jr. (H-56) | 16. Richard Grucela (H-137) | |

NEW CANDIDATES

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| 1. Brian Ellis (H-11) | 6. Scott Witon (H-54) | 11. Jon D. Fox (H-153) |
| 2. Pat Geho (H-16) | 7. Scott E. Avolio (H-56) | 12. Mario J. Calvarese (H-158) |
| 3. Paul Snatchko (H-46) | 8. Jeff Pyle (H-60) | |
| 4. Rick Yochum (H-48) | 9. Russ Diamond (H-101) | |
| 5. Jeffrey Baker (H-49) | 10. Christine Katsock (H-121) | |

In addition to these candidates, three state senators, who are not up for election this year, are Pledge signers.

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| 1. Joe Conti (S-10) | 2. Lisa Boscola (S-18) | 3. Jane Orie (S-40) |
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Americans for Tax Reform is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all tax increases. For more information or to arrange an interview please contact Jonathan Collegio at (202) 785-0266 or by email at jcollegio@atr.org.