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Taxpayers Win in House District 33 Primary Election

-- Taxpayers' best friend Leon Drolet wins primary election by large margin --

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Taxpayers of Michigan's 33rd House district made a clear statement when they cast their vote at the ballot box in the Republican primary on Tuesday, August 3rd. They do not appreciate their wallets being raided and cast their vote for the current incumbent in House district 33, who has consistently sought to protect taxpayers throughout his tenure in the legislature. Leon Drolet received 62% of the vote.

Leon Drolet is not only signer of the Taxpayer Protection Pledge, a written commitment “to oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.” He has also demonstrated his leadership as chairman of the taxpayer protection caucus in Michigan's House of Representatives, a caucus of likeminded legislators, who stand up for taxpayers' interests. He also has a consistent record of no-new-taxes votes. None of Drolet's primary opponents in the race had signed the Taxpayer Protection Pledge.

“The taxpayers of House District 33 made it clear: For them, principles matter, they want someone to represent them who makes decisions based on principles.” said Grover Norquist, President of Americans for Tax Reform in Washington, DC. **“With Leon Drolet, taxpayers win. Not only has he ruled out raids on taxpayers' wallets, his record in the legislature proves that he stands true to his word.”**

Apart from Leon Drolet, 16 signers of the Taxpayer Protection Pledge have either won their primary, or were running unopposed in their party.

“After seeing their taxes hiked in Lansing this year, disappointed Michiganders cast their vote for pro-taxpayer candidates,” Norquist continued. **“The people of Michigan expect government to live within its means, just like every ordinary family has to. By voting for Pledge signers like Leon Drolet and the 22 other candidates, Michiganders chose candidates, who, if elected, will work hard to fasten Michigan's fiscal belt.”**

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 Chris Butler at (202) 785-0266 or by email at cbutler@atr.org.