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## Taxpayer-Friendly Candidates for Tomorrow's Primaries

Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) asks all candidates for federal and state office to sign the Taxpayer Protection Pledge and thus demonstrate their solidarity with the taxpayers of their entire state, and district if applicable. **By signing the pledge, a candidate commits "to oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes."**

Pledge signers are in good company: 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 1290 state legislators.

**In Michigan, the following primary candidates have chosen to stand up for the taxpayers of Michigan and signed the Pledge:**

### INCUMBENTS UP FOR REELECTION:

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|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Leon Drolet (H-33)      | 4. Matt Milosch (H-55) | 6. Jacob W. Hoogendyk (H-61) |
| 2. John P. Garfield (H-45) | 5. Rick Shaffer (H-59) | 7. Glenn Steil (H-72)        |
| 3. David Robertson (H-51)  |                        |                              |

### CANDIDATES:

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Edith L. Floyd (H-2)      | 8. Alicia Ping (H-52)           | 15. Diane Carey (H-85)      |
| 2. Daryl Stasik (H-13)       | 9. Jeff Andring (H-56)          | 16. Mike Hewitt (H-89)      |
| 3. Robert Murphy (H-36)      | 10. Yann Iannucci (H-56)        | 17. Mariano Diaz (H-90)     |
| 4. William H. Largent (H-37) | 11. Beth Chandler (H-67)        | 18. Ron Sterling (H-100)    |
| 5. Roger D. Deaton (H-46)    | 12. Melissa Sue Robinson (H-68) | 19. John Ramsey (H-105)     |
| 6. Donald N. Wenk (H-48)     | 13. Amy Lynn Richey (H-73)      | 20. Craig M. Ryan (H-105)   |
| 7. Vern Shultz (H-51)        | 14. David Kredell (H-83)        | 21. Dave Kaltenbach (H-109) |

In addition, a number of senators who are not up for re-election this year have also taken the Pledge.

*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](mailto:cbutler@atr.org).*