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Missouri: Taxpayer Friendly Primary Winners

WASHINGTON, D.C. – 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 Missouri, the following candidates have chosen to stand up for the taxpayers of their state and have signed the Pledge:

INCUMBENTS UP FOR REELECTION:

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| 1. John Loudon (S-7) | 8. Cynthia Davis (H-19) | 15. Jim Lembke (H-85) | 22. Van Kelly (H-144) |
| 2. Charles Gross (S-23) | 9. Jason Brown (H-30) | 16. Jack Jackson (H-89) | 23. Mike Dethrow (H-153) |
| 3. John Quinn (H-7) | 10. Susan Phillips (H-32) | 17. Brian D. Nieves (H-98) | 24. Peter Myers, Sr. (H-160) |
| 4. Sherman Parker (H-12) | 11. Doug Ervin (H-35) | 18. Ed Emery (H-126) | 25. Otto Bean, Jr. (H-163) |
| 5. Scott Rupp (H-13) | 12. Bryan T. Pratt (H-55) | 19. Steve Hunter (H-127) | |
| 6. Joe Smith (H-14) | 13. Brian Yates (H-56) | 20. Mark Wright (H-137) | |
| 7. Vicki Schneider (H-17) | 14. Allen Icet (H-84) | 21. Brad Roark (H-139) | |

NEW CANDIDATES:

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| 1. Chet Southworth (S-11) | 6. Michael R. Brown (H-50) | 11. Jim Craig (H-85) | 16. Keith L. Rodgers (H-134) |
| 2. Bill Stoufer (S-21) | 7. David Anway (H-51) | 12. Marvin Lutes (H-102) | 17. Luther Meadows (H-141) |
| 3. Christopher S. Morill (S-27) | 8. Robert Christopher (H-59) | 13. Ted Varner (H-104) | 18. John W. Williams (H-147) |
| 4. Gregory Arrigo (H-11) | 9. Patricia Verde (H-64) | 14. Gilbert Rains (H-110) | 19. Nathan Cooper (H-158) |
| 5. Will Kraus (H-48) | 10. Jeanette Wansing (H-76) | 15. Michael L. Parson (H-133) | |

In addition, the following incumbents have signed the Pledge and committed themselves not to raise taxes:

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| 1. Anita Yeckel (S-1) | 3. Bill I. Foster (S-25) | 5. Jerry King (H-125) |
| 2. Matt Bartle (S-8) | 4. Annie Reinhart (H-34) | |

The following incumbent has signed for his current tenure in the House, but has not yet signed for his candidacy for the Senate:

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| 1. Chuck Purgason (S-33) | 2. Jason Crowell (H-158) |
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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 Chris Butler at (202) 785-0266 or by email at cbutler@atr.org.