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Who Will Defend Oregon's Taxpayers?

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Americans for Tax Reform applauds the following taxpayer-friendly candidates for signing the Taxpayer Protection Pledge. 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, nine Governors, four Lieutenant Governors, two Attorneys General, four Secretaries of State, four Treasurers, and more than 1270 state legislators.

In Oregon, the following pro-taxpayer candidates have either won their primary or were unchallenged in the primary:

INCUMBENTS UP FOR REELECTION:

1. Gary George (S-12)
2. Jeff Kropf (H-17)
3. Linda Flores (H-51)
4. William Garrard (H-56)

NEW CANDIDATES:

1. Jay Omdahl (S-14)
2. Karen Malmay (H-2)
3. Bill Young (H-8)
4. Brian Boquist (H-23)
5. Kim Thatcher (H-25)
6. Shirley Freeman (H-43)

In addition, the following incumbents who are not up for re-election this year have signed the Pledge and committed themselves not to raise taxes:

1. Jackie Winters (S-10)
2. Steven Harper (S-28)
3. Cliff Zauner (H-22)
4. Tim Knopp (H-5)

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.