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MTA-PAC Committee Makes August Primary Endorsements

Lansing, Mich. — The Michigan Townships Association Political Action Committee (MTA-PAC) today announced its endorsements for 128 legislative races. The endorsements include 55 members of the state House of Representatives and nine Senate members who are running for re-election.

MTA-PAC's endorsement was based primarily on input from township officials and the candidate's responsiveness to township issues in the Michigan Legislature. The MTA-PAC sent out questionnaires to township officials and a questionnaire to the candidates on 20 key issues of importance to MTA and townships alike.

“The MTA-PAC is pleased to make these endorsements for the Michigan 2010 legislative primary,” said Joanne Boehler, MTA-PAC committee chair. Joanne is treasurer of James Township. “It's the belief of MTA-PAC members that these candidates will best benefit MTA and township officials in gaining positive legislation on behalf of townships. With over half of Michigan's citizens residing in townships, the Michigan Townships Association believes residents will benefit from the efforts of the candidates who we have endorsed and who understand how local communities are impacted by legislation.”

The MTA Board of Directors established the MTA-PAC in 1982 to participate in elections for the Michigan House and Senate.

Michigan's 1,240 townships comprise more than 96 percent of Michigan's land area and over half of the state's population. Michigan townships have a long track record of being the most efficient form of government and being closest to the people. Townships deliver government services at a lower cost to taxpayers than any other governmental units in the state. In addition, Michigan townships continue to look for cooperative arrangements to provide more efficient services.

Following are the MTA-PAC endorsements for the Michigan 2010 legislative primary:

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Michigan House of Representatives

District	Candidate	District	Candidate
001	D-Timothy Bledsoe	058	R-Kenneth L. Kurtz
006	D-Fred Durhal, Jr.	059	R-Matt Lori
007	D-Jimmy Womack	060	D-Sean McCann
009	D-Shanelle Jackson	061	R-Margaret E. O'Brien
011	D-David E. Nathan	062	D-Kate Segal
012	D-Rashida Tlaib	063	R-James Bolger
013	D-Andrew J. Kandrevas	064	D-Martin J. Griffin
014	D-Paul Clemente	065	R-Mike Shirkey
016	D-Bob Constan	066	R-Bill Rogers
018	D-Richard LeBlanc	067	D-Barb Byrum
019	R-John J. Walsh	068	D-Joan Bauer
020	D-Joan Wadsworth	069	D-Mark S. Meadows
	R-Kurt Heise	070	D-Mike Huckleberry
021	D-Dian Slavens	071	R-Deb Shaughnessy
	R-Shannon Price	072	R-Ken Yonker
022	D-Douglas A. Geiss	073	R-Peter MacGregor
023	D-Deb Kennedy	074	R-Dave Agema
025	D-Jon M. Switalski	075	D-Brandon Dillon
027	D-Ellen Cogen Lipton		R-Jordan W. Bush
028	D-Lesia Liss	076	D-Roy Schmidt
029	D-Tim Melton	077	R-Nate Vriesman
032	D-Jennifer Haase	078	R-Sharon Tyler
033	R-Gina Bucci	079	R-Al Pscholka
034	D-Woodrow Stanley	080	R-Aric Nesbitt
037	D-Vicki Barnett	081	R-Jud Gilbert
038	R-Hugh D. Crawford	082	R-Kevin Daley
039	D-Lisa Brown	083	R-Alan J. Broughton
040	R-Chuck Moss	084	D-Terry L. Brown
041	R-Marty Knollenberg	085	R-Ben Glardon
042	D-Harold L. Haugh		D-Pamela Drake
043	R-Gail Haines	086	R-Lisa Posthumus Lyons
044	R-Eileen Kowall	087	R-Mike Callton
045	R-Tom McMillin	088	R-Bob Genetski
047	R-Cindy Denby	089	R- Amanda Price
048	D-Richard E. Hammel	090	R-Joe Haveman
049	D-Jim Ananich	091	D-Ben Gillette
050	D-Gerald Masters		R-Holly Hughes
052	D-Christine Green	092	D-Marcia Hovey-Wright
	R-Mark Ouimet	093	R-Paul E. Opsommer
054	D-David E. Rutledge	094	R-Ken Horn
055	R-Mary Kay Thayer	095	D-Greg Dietrich
056	D-Kate Ebli	096	D-Brian K. Elder
057	R- Nancy E. Jenkins		

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District	Candidate
097	R-Joel Johnson D-Mark Alan Lightfoot
098	R-Jim Stamas
099	R-Christine Alwood D-Toni Sessoms
100	R-Jane Drake
101	D-Dan Scripps
102	R-Philip N. Potvin
103	D-Van Sheltroun
104	R-Wayne A. Schmidt
105	R-Kenneth R. Glasser
106	D-Patrick Pokorski R-Peter Pettalia
107	D-Richard Timmer R-Frank Foster
108	D-Judy Nerat
109	D-Steven W. Lindberg
110	D-Robert Black

Michigan Senate

District	Candidate	District	Candidate
001	D-Coleman A. Young	021	R-John Proos
003	D-Morris Hood	022	R-Joe Hune
004	D-George Cushingberry	023	D- Gretchen Whitmer
005	D- Tupac A.Hunter	024	R-Rick Jones
006	D-Glenn S. Anderson	025	R-Phil Pavlov
007	R-Deborah Whyman D-Kathleen Law	026	D-Jim Slezak R-David B. Robertson
008	D-Hoon-Yung Hopgood	027	D- John J. Gleason
009	D-Steven Bieda	028	R- Mark C. Jansen
010	D-Paul Gielegem R-Tory Rocca	029	R-Dave Hildenbrand D-Robert Dean
011	R-Kim Meltzer	030	R-Arlan B. Meekhof
012	R-Jim Marleau	031	D-Jeff Mayes
013	R- John Pappageorge	032	R-Roger Kahn
014	D-Vincent Gregory	033	R-Brain N. Calley
015	R-Mike Kowall	035	R-Darwin L. Booher
016	R-Bruce Caswell	036	R-John Moolenaar
017	R-Randy Richardville	037	R-Howard Walker
019	R-Mike Nofs	038	D-Michael A. Lahti
020	R-Tonya Schuitmaker D-Robert B. Jones		

The MTA-PAC will also make endorsements for the November 2 general election.

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