

**CACI Unveils List of 56 Endorsed Legislative Candidates,
Seeks “Business-Friendly” Colorado General Assembly**

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CACI today released a list of 56 legislative candidates that it is endorsing for election in November in a concentrated effort to ensure a “business-friendly” legislature next January.

The list includes 36 incumbents and 20 new candidates running for seats in the Colorado House of Representatives and the Colorado Senate.

“CACI has chosen to support legislative incumbents who voted with us on salient business issues,” said Chuck Berry, CACI President and former Speaker of the Colorado House of Representatives, “These were issues that not only had a substantial financial impact on the business community, but they also affected job creation and economic development for Colorado.”

“Our endorsements and contributions are intended as a vote of confidence and an investment in those who support business,” said Loren Furman, CACI Vice President of Governmental Affairs.

“The 2010 session caused great distress to companies across the state, and some kind of balance of-power arrangement at the State Capitol is critical to protect the interests of businesses during the next two legislative sessions,” said Tom Flanagan, Chair of the CACI Board of Directors and Division I President of Citywide Banks.

“CACI has a bipartisan membership and is governed by a bi-partisan Board of Directors,” said Rob LeVine, CACI Board Chair-Elect and General Manager of the Antlers at Vail, “We support those who support us, regardless of their party affiliation, and this policy is reflected by our bi-partisan endorsements.”

Fifty-two new legislative candidates were interviewed in late June and early July by CACI after submitting their answers to a CACI questionnaire on business issues. The interview was conducted by the CACI lobbying team and a large number of CACI members who had contributed to CACI’s political action committee.

From this pool of new candidates, the CACI staff recommended a slate of 20 candidates to the CACI Executive Committee, which then approved the list on August 2nd. In the following days, the CACI Board concurred on the list. One incumbent was approved pending the outcome of Tuesday’s primary, while three new candidates were approved pending the outcome of their primary races. The Board approved the list of the other incumbents for endorsement at its June 10th meeting.

A CACI endorsement usually results in a contribution of \$400 from *The Colorado Business Political Action Committee* (CB-PAC), which is CACI’s political action committee. In addition, a small number of pro-business candidates in key races will receive an additional amount, to be determined, from CACI’s small-donor committee, *The CACI Prosperity Fund*.

Incumbent Endorsements

<u>House</u>	<u>Area Represented</u>
Acree, Cindy (R) – HD 40	Southeast Aurora, Elbert, Arapahoe
Balmer, David (R) – HD 39	Arapahoe, South Aurora
Baumgardner, Randy (R) – HD 57	Garfield, Grand, Jackson, Rio Blanco
Bradford, Laura (R) – HD 55	Grand Junction
DelGrosso, Brian (R) – HD 51	Loveland, Larimer
Gardner, Bob (R) – HD 21	El Paso, Fremont, Colorado Springs
Gerou, Cheri (R) – HD 25	Arvada, Jefferson
Kefalas, John (D) – HD 52	East Fort Collins
Kerr, Jim (R) – HD 28	Jefferson
Liston, Larry (R) – HD 16	North Colorado Springs
Looper, Marsha (R) – HD 19	El Paso, Security, Fountain
Massey, Tom (R) – HD 60	Fremont, Chaffee, Custer, Park, Pueblo, Saguache
McNulty, Frank (R) – HD 43	Douglas
Murray, Carole (R) – HD 45	Douglas, Teller, Castle Rock
Nikkel, B.J. (R) – HD 49	Windsor, Berthoud, Estes Park, Larimer
Priola, Kevin (R) – HD 30	North Aurora, Adams, Brighton, Bennett
Rice, Joe (D) – HD 38	Littleton, Bow Mar, Englewood
Scanlan, Christine (D) – HD 56	Eagle, Lake, Summit
Schafer, Sue (D) – HD 24	Jefferson, Arvada, Lakewood, Wheat Ridge, Edgewater
Sonnenberg, Jerry (R) – HD 65	Logan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Weld
Stephens, Amy (R) – HD 20	El Paso, Colorado Springs, Monument

Summers, Ken (R) – HD 22

Lakewood, Jefferson, Morrison

Swalm, Spencer (R) – HD 37

Arapahoe, Centennial, Southglenn

Vaad, Glenn (R) – HD 48

Weld, Greeley, Erie

Waller, Mark (R) – HD 15

Northeast Colorado Springs

Senate

Area Represented

Brophy, Greg (R) – SD 1

Cheyenne, Elbert, Phillips, Yuma, Lincoln,
Kit Carson, Morgan, Kiowa, Prowers,
Sedgwick, Washington

Harvey, Ted (R) – SD 30
Tree

Douglas, Parker, Highlands Ranch, Lone

Johnston, Michael (D) – SD 33

Northeast Denver

King, Steve (R) – SD 7

Mesa, Delta

Kopp, Mike (R) – SD 22

Jefferson, Lakewood, Littleton

Lambert, Kent (R) – SD 9

North Colorado Springs

Lundberg, Kevin (R) – SD 15

Loveland, Larimer, Windsor, Estes
Park, Ft. Collins

Renfroe, Scott (R) – SD 13

Weld, Greeley, Evans, Windsor

Roberts, Ellen (R) – SD 6

Archuleta, La Plata, Ouray, Montezuma,
San Juan, San Miguel, Dolores, Montrose

Romer, Chris (D) – SD 32

Central and East Denver

Guzman, Lucia (D) – SD 34

West Denver

New Candidate Endorsements

House

Area Represented

Stroud, Danny (R) – HD 1

Denver, Arapahoe, Sheridan

Mastin, Christine (R) – HD 3

Southcentral Denver, Englewood,
Cherry Hills Village

Joshi, Janak (R) – HD 14	North Colorado Springs
Barker, Mark (R) - HD 17	Colorado Springs, Fort Carson, El Paso
Johansson, Edgar (R) – HD 23	Jefferson
Szabo, Libby (R) – HD 27	Arvada
Ramirez, Robert (R) – HD 29	Jefferson
Beezley, Don (R) – HD 33	Broomfield, Erie, Superior
Vande Krol, Brian (R) – HD 34	Adams, Westminster, Northglenn, Thornton, Federal Heights
Holbert, Chris (R) – HD 44	Douglas
Swerdfeger, Keith (R) – HD 47	Pueblo, Pueblo West, Fremont
Scott, Ray (R) – HD 54	Grand Junction, Delta
Coram, Don (R) – HD 58	Delta, Delores, Montezuma, Ouray, Montrose, Montezuma, San Miguel
Brown, J. Paul (R) – HD 59	Archuleta, La Plata, San Juan, Montezuma
Becker, Jon (R) – HD 63	Adams, Kit Carson, Cheyenne, Yuma, Crowley, Lincoln, Morgan, Washington, Kiowa

Senate

Area Represented

Grantham, Kevin (R) – SD 2	Baca, Bent, Crowley, Custer, Otero, Fremont, Pueblo, Las Animas
Ortegon, Vera (R) – SD 3	City of Pueblo
Rankin, Bob (R) – SD 5	Alamosa, Rio Grande, Delta, Pitkin, Conejos, Costilla, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Chaffee, Mineral, Saguache
Hill, Owen (R) – SD 11	Colorado Springs, Manitou Springs
Leonard, Tim (R) – SD 16	Boulder, Clear Creek, Gilpin, Grand, Summit, West Jefferson

