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## Young Conservatives of Texas Announce Complete 2012 Primary Endorsements

Austin, TX—Young Conservatives of Texas (YCT) today announced their complete list of 2012 Republican Primary endorsements.

“In races across Texas, there are strong, principled conservative candidates running to represent us in Congress and the Texas Legislature,” said Tony McDonald, YCT Senior Vice Chairman. “YCT is proud to announce our endorsements for the 2012 Republican primary. Each of these candidates — whether running for reelection or in an open election or to replace a liberal, moderate, or establishment incumbent — can be counted on to represent their constituents’ conservative values.”

YCT’s endorsement process begins with candidate research, including, for incumbents, analysis of voting records, bills filed, and general legislative performance. YCT examines challengers and open-seat candidates by issuing a comprehensive policy questionnaire and following up, in dozens of races across the state, with face-to-face interviews with the candidates.

*Young Conservatives of Texas has promoted conservatism at universities across the Lone Star State for over three decades. The State’s most active political youth organization, YCT is composed of hundreds of members and alumni who participate in the full spectrum of politics. YCT issues the most respected ratings of the Texas legislature and is the only conservative group to have done so without interruption over the past 19 legislative sessions. For a full list of YCT’s endorsements, please visit [www.YCT.org/endorsements](http://www.YCT.org/endorsements).*

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## 2012 Republican Primary Election Endorsements\*

### United States Senate

Senator: Ted Cruz

### Congress\*\*

TX-14: Representative Randy Weber

TX-25: Michael Williams

TX-34: Jessica Puente Bradshaw

TX-36: Congressman Steve Stockman

### Texas House of Representatives

HD-2: Representative Dan Flynn

HD-4: Dr. Stuart Spitzer

HD-5: Representative Bryan Hughes

HD-7: Representative David Simpson

HD-8: Bobby Vickery

HD-9: Representative Wayne Christian

HD-10: Linda Bounds

HD-11: Travis Clardy

HD-12: Josh Tetens

HD-14: Hal Hawkins

HD-15: Steve Toth

HD-19: Representative James White

HD-23: Wayne Faircloth

HD-24: Dr. Greg Bonnen

HD-26: Jacquie Chaumette

HD-29: Ed Thompson

HD-33: Scott Turner

HD-47: Representative Paul Workman

HD-53: Representative Harvey Hilderbran

HD-56: Representative Charles "Doc" Anderson

HD-59: Representative Sid Miller

HD-64: Mike Brucia

HD-65: Ron Simmons

HD-67: Jeff Leach

HD-68: Drew Springer

HD-70: Scott Sanford

HD-83: Representative Charles Perry

### Texas Supreme Court

Place 2: Don Willett

### Texas Senate

SD-5: Representative Charles Schwertner

SD-8: Representative Ken Paxton

SD-9: Representative Kelly Hancock

SD-11: Representative Larry Taylor

SD-25: Elizabeth Ames Jones

SD-31: Randy Rives

HD-88: Representative Jim Landtroop

HD-91: Stephanie Klick

HD-92: Jonathan Stickland

HD-93: Matt Krause

HD-94: Trina Lanza

HD-96: Representative Bill Zedler

HD-97: Craig Goldman

HD-98: Giovanni Capriglione

HD-106: Pat Fallon

HD-114: Representative Bill Keffer

HD-115: Matt Rinaldi

HD-121: Matt Beebe

HD-133: Representative Jim Murphy

HD-136: Tony Dale

HD-149: Jack Lee

HD-150: Representative Debbie Riddle

### State Board of Education

District 2: Veronica Anzaldua

District 5: Member Ken Mercer

District 7: Member David Bradley

District 8: Chair Barbara Cargill

District 9: Randy Stevenson

District 10: Jeff Fleece

District 12: Gail Spurlock

District 14: Member Gail Lowe

District 15: Marty Rowley

\* Only contested races were considered for endorsement. Exclusion of any race does not indicate support or opposition to any candidate or officeholder.

\*\* Only open congressional races were considered for endorsement.