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Young Conservatives of Texas PAC Endorses Rep. Bryan Hughes for Speaker of Texas House

AUSTIN, TX — Today, the Young Conservatives of Texas PAC (YCT-PAC) announced their endorsement of State Representative Bryan Hughes for Speaker of the Texas House.

"This is an extremely easy endorsement for YCT to make," said Jeff Morris, YCT State Chairman. "Rep. Hughes has a proven conservative record and the temperament necessary to govern such a large and diverse body like the Texas House of Representatives."

Rep. Bryan Hughes has earned an "86" career rating with YCT, which places him amongst the organization's "Historic Honor Roll" of top conservative legislators.

"In light of the recent leaked emails from the current Speaker's leadership team, we feel strongly that their needs to be a change of direction," said YCT state board member Jeramy Kitchen. "These emails illustrate a lack of decorum and respect for members of the House and the voting public, as well as a vindictive and petulant attitude towards dissenting opinions--most specifically conservative dissent."

An article containing the leaked redistricting emails with commentary can be found at <u>RedState.com</u>.

YCT, which was founded in 1980, issues the most respected ratings of the state legislature and is the only conservative group to have done so without interruption over the last 19 legislative sessions. YCT has chapters at universities across Texas. To learn more about YCT, their legislative ratings, or their endorsements visit www.yct.org.

YCT-PAC is the political arm of Young Conservatives of Texas, a non-partisan organization which 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.