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## **Young Conservatives of Texas PAC Endorses Additional Candidates in General Election**

AUSTIN, TX —Yesterday, the Young Conservatives of Texas PAC released its slate of endorsed candidates for the 2012 General Election. Today, YCT would like to add their support for: Tom Maynard for State Board of Education District 10, Christi Craddick for Railroad Commissioner Place 1, Steve Toth for HD-15, Robert Thomas for HD-48, Jimmie Don Aycock for HD-54, and John Garza for HD-117.

“Each of these candidates have proven themselves to be the most conservative choice in their individual races,” said Tony McDonald, Senior Vice Chairman. “It is important that conservatives get out and support them on November 6<sup>th</sup>.”

With the addition of these six candidates, YCT has endorsed in a total of 49 races for the 2012 General Election.

“Candidates that receive YCT’s endorsement are carefully examined prior to any decisions,” said YCT State Chairman, Jeff Morris. “We take several factors ranging from voting records to questionnaires and personal interviews into account when making these decisions.”

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](http://www.yct.org).

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YCT only endorses in contested races. The full list of general election candidates that have earned YCT’s endorsement are:

**UNITED STATES SENATE**

Senator: Ted Cruz

**CONGRESS**

TX-14: Randy Weber

TX-18: Sean Seibert

TX-23: Quico Canseco

TX-34: Jessica Puente Bradshaw

TX-36: Steve Stockman

**TEXAS STATE SENATE**

SD-8: Ken Paxton

SD-9: Kelly Hancock

SD-10: Mark Shelton

SD-11: Larry Taylor

SD-20: Raul Torres

SD-25: Donna Campbell

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

District 1: Charlie Garza

District 3: David Williams

District 4: Dorothy Olmos

District 5: Ken Mercer

District 6: Donna Bahorich

District 7: David Bradley

District 8: Barbara Cargill

District 9: No-endorsement\*

District 10: Tom Maynard

District 11: Pat Hardy

District 12: Geraldine Miller

District 15: Marty Rowley

**TEXAS RAILROAD COMMISSION**

Place 1: Christi Craddick

**TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

HD-8: No-endorsement\*

HD-14: John Raney

HD-15: Steve Toth

HD-17: Tim Kleinschmidt

HD-23: Wayne Faircloth

HD-24: Greg Bonnen

HD-26: Rick Miller

HD-29: Ed Thompson

HD-34: Connie Scott

HD-43: J.M. Lozano

HD-45: Jason Isaac

HD-54: Jimmie Don Aycocock

HD-48: Robert Thomas

HD-64: No-endorsement\*

HD-65: Ron Simmons

HD-74: Thomas Kincaid

HD-85: Phil Stephenson

HD-93: Matt Krause

HD-97: Craig Goldman

HD-99: No-endorsement\*

HD-102: Stefani Carter

HD-107: Kenneth Sheets

HD-117: John Garza

HD-125: Alma Jackson

HD-134: No-endorsement\*

HD-135: Gary Elkins

HD-136: Tony Dale

HD-144: David Pineda

HD-149: Dianne Williams

\*No Endorsement means YCT PAC was not able to ascertain enough information regarding the political philosophies of the candidates in the race or that of candidates reviewed or interviewed, none of the candidates were in agreement with the political philosophy of Young Conservatives of Texas. YCT PAC only endorses in contested elections.

*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](http://www.YCT.org/endorsements).*

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