

**Kentucky Chamber PAC endorses legislative candidates**

**FRANKFORT, KY. (Oct. 7, 2008)** – The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce’s Political Action Committee (PAC) has endorsed 15 legislative candidates in the 2008 General Election. Of those 15, seven have also been placed on the PAC’s G.U.T.S. (Give Us True Statesmen) List (key races where business support can make a difference in electing legislators who will work to improve job growth in Kentucky).

G.U.T.S. List candidates include: **Sen. Ken Winters** (R-Murray), Senate District 1; **Sen. Jack Westwood** (R-Crescent Springs), Senate District 23; **Rep. Jim DeCesare** (R-Bowling Green), House District 21; **Rep. Tim Moore** (R-Elizabethtown), House District 26; **Rep. Mike Harmon** (R-Junction City), House District 54; **Rep. Brad Montell** (R-Shelbyville), House District 58; and **Rep. Adam Koenig** (R-Erlanger), House District 69.

Also endorsed by the Kentucky Chamber PAC are: **Sen. Joe Pendleton** (D-Hopkinsville), Senate District 3; **Sen. Damon Thayer** (R-Georgetown), Senate District 17; **Rep. Steve Rudy** (R-Paducah), House District 1; **Rep. Jim Glenn** (D-Owensboro), House District 13; **Rep. Ron Crimm** (R-Louisville), House District 33; **Rep. Bob Damron** (D-Nicholasville), House District 39; **Rep. Bob DeWeese** (R-Louisville), House District 48; and **Rep. Royce Adams** (D-Dry Ridge), House District 61.

Earlier this year, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce’s Political Action Committee sent a 2008 Legislative Candidate survey to all candidates up for election in the November. The committee evaluated all the responses to the survey and made endorsement recommendations to the PAC.

Each one of the endorsed and G.U.T.S. List candidates have been evaluated based on their voting records (if they are an incumbent), their answers to the Chamber’s 2008 Legislative Candidate Survey, and in some cases, a face-to-face interview and the review of the PAC Board. The candidates represent the bi-partisan effort the Chamber is looking for to get the job done in Frankfort.

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