Seven Additional Candidates Endorsed by BIPAC’s Action Fund

Two Candidates for the U.S. Senate and Five for the U.S. House are Supported by the Business-Industry Political Action Committee

WASHINGTON DC – Today, the Business-Industry Political Action Committee’s Action Fund has announced its next round of candidate endorsements for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House.

The new U.S. Senate candidates receiving endorsements are:

- John Boozman (R-AR)
- Charles Boustany (R-LA)

The new U.S. House candidates receiving endorsements are:

- Brad Ashford (D-NE 2)
- Henry Cuellar (D-TX 28)
- John Katko (R-NY 24)
- Collin Peterson (D-MN 7)
- Elise Stefanik (R-NY 21)

They join the six U.S. Senate candidates and sixteen other U.S. House candidates already endorsed by the BIPAC Action Fund, which was founded in 1963 as America’s first political action committee identifying individuals who support the ideals of free enterprise and promote policy solutions that create jobs and economic prosperity.

“With such a high focus on the top of the election ticket this year, it is important to remember that down ballot votes matter,” said BIPAC President and Chief Executive Officer Jim Gerlach – who served in the U.S. House from 2003 - 2015. “Beyond the direct financial contribution that the Action Fund has made to these candidates’ campaigns, our endorsement will help potential voters know that these Republicans and Democrats support them as hard working Americans in the private sector,” continued Gerlach.

The previously announced endorsed candidates for this cycle are:

U.S. Senate:

- Richard Burr (R-NC)
• Joe Heck (R-NV)
• Mark Kirk (R-IL)
• Rob Portman (R-OH)
• Pat Toomey (R-PA)
• Todd Young (R-IN)

U.S. House:

• Rod Blum (R-IA 1)
• Mike Bost (R-IL 12)
• Barbara Comstock (R-VA 10)
• Ryan Costello (R-PA 6)
• Rodney Davis (R-IL 13)
• Jeff Denham (R-CA 10)
• Bob Dold (R-IL 10)
• Crescent Hardy (R-NV 4)
• Will Hurd (R-TX 23)
• Steve Knight (R-CA 25)
• Pat Meehan (R-PA 7)
• Martha Roby (R-AL 2)
• Bill Shuster (R-PA 9)
• Lloyd Smucker (R-PA 16)
• David Valadao (R-CA 21)
• David Young (R-IA 3)

“All candidates endorsed by the Action Fund have been recommended and vetted by a non-partisan volunteer committee of BIPAC members across the U.S. that represent a cross-section of business industries,” said BIPAC Political Director Andrew Blasovich. “Additionally local businesses and business groups were included in the decision making process and our endorsement will be communicated to hundreds of corporations and business trade association PACs,” continued Blasovich.

BIPAC was founded in 1963 as a non-partisan coalition and is dedicated to increasing the political effectiveness of America’s business community. The Action Fund, the non-connected political action committee of BIPAC, helps elect candidates to the U.S. Congress with a demonstrated record of supporting economic growth and job creation.

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communications on campaigns and elections, and fosters business participation in the political process. Learn more at www.bipacaction.org.