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MICHIGAN RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES STATEWIDE CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENTS

LANSING, MI – The Michigan Restaurant Association (MRA) is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors has endorsed the following statewide candidates for the general election this November, as well as for State Senate and Michigan House of Representatives in the August 5 primary.

“After rigorous review, candidates were endorsed based upon a demonstrated commitment to protecting the free market and preventing harmful regulations. In addition, state legislative candidates were required to exhibit support for a responsible approach to the minimum wage,” said Justin Winslow, vice president for government affairs at the Michigan Restaurant Association. “We wish them well and look forward to working with them in Lansing.”

Statewide Endorsements:

- United States Senate – Terri Lynn Land
- Governor – Rick Snyder
- Attorney General – Bill Schuette
- Secretary of State – Ruth Johnson

State Senate and Michigan House of Representatives:

- 5th Senate District: Rep. David Knezek (Democrat)
- 12th Senate District: Sen. Jim Marleau (Republican)
- 15th Senate District: Sen. Mike Kowall (Republican)
- 37th Senate District: Rep. Wayne Schmidt (Republican)
- 19th House District: Laura Cox (Republican)
- 38th House District: Kathy Crawford (Republican)
- 39th House District: Rep. Klint Kesto (Republican)
- 45th House District: Michael Webber (Republican)
- 46th House District: Rep. Bradford Jacobsen (Republican)
- 51st House District: Rep. Joe Graves (Republican)
- 76th House District: Donijo DeJonge (Republican)
- 85th House District: Rep. Ben Glardon (Republican)
- 86th House District: Rep. Lisa Posthumus Lyons (Republican)
- 89th House District: Rep. Amanda Price (Republican)
- 91st House District: Holly Hughes (Republican)
- 98th House District: Karl Ieuter (Republican)
- 102nd House District: Rep. Phil Potvin (Republican)

The Michigan Restaurant Association (MRA) is the recognized leader of Michigan's hospitality industry, providing essential services to the foodservice community. Founded in 1921, the MRA represents nearly 4,500 Michigan foodservice establishments. The industry plays an integral role in Michigan's economy, employing almost 400,000 people and creating more than \$13.4 billion in annual sales.