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State Representative Candidate John Kuempel Signs AFP's Defending the American Dream Pledge

AUSTIN—The Texas chapter of the free market grassroots group Americans for Prosperity (AFP-TX) today applauded Dist 44 State Representative Candidate John Kuempel for [signing the group's Defending the American Dream Pledge](#). John Kuempel is one of ten candidates running in the December 14 special election.

[John joins elected officials and candidates](#) across Texas at the state and local levels who are pledging to **“support spending limits tied to population growth plus inflation with voter approval, or legislative supermajority approval required for tax and spending increases.”**

“Government works for us, and voters should determine how much government we want and are willing to pay for,” said AFP-TX Director Peggy Venable. “We encourage all of Texas’ elected officials and candidates to sign the taxpayer-protection pledge.”

“Taxpayers should not worry that while they are hard at work taking care of their families and paying their taxes that some of those tax dollars are being used to pay lobbyists who often lobby to raise taxes,” Venable said.

To see the full list of signers, [please click here](#).

“Thanks to the leadership of these individuals who have pledged to protect the taxpayers’ interests, Texas has become the beacon of fiscal sanity in the country,” said Venable. “Good policies promote prosperity, as we have seen in Texas. Our newest initiative, Lone Star Strong (www.LoneStarStrong.com), highlights the policies and elected officials who have followed the guidelines of this pledge, and this has led Texas to be the top state for business relocation and job creation.”

AFP-Texas encourages elected officials and candidates to sign the pledge and go on the record in support of taxpayer protections. [The pledge is available online](#) at www.afptx.org. AFP does not endorse candidates.

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