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Sam Brownback Signs Taxpayer Protection Pledge

Presidential candidate promises to American taxpayers that he will protect their pocketbooks

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Kansas Senator Sam Brownback, a candidate vying for the 2008 Republican presidential nomination, has signed the Presidential Taxpayer Protection Pledge sponsored by Americans for Tax Reform (ATR). The Pledge commits signers to “oppose any and all efforts to increase the marginal income tax rates for individuals and/or businesses ... and oppose any net reduction or elimination of deductions and credits, unless matched dollar for dollar by further reducing tax rates.”

Sen. Brownback signed on January 1st, 2007, beginning the new year by once again putting his free-market principles in writing. Sen. Brownback has signed and kept the Pledge as a candidate for the U.S. Senate.

ATR has offered the Pledge to all candidates for federal office since 1987. To date, President George W. Bush, 43 U.S. Senators, and 197 members of the U.S. House of Representatives have signed the Pledge. Seven Governors and over 1,100 state legislators have signed the Pledge as well.

"Taxpayers are very excited--but certainly not surprised--that Senator Brownback has signed the Taxpayer Protection Pledge in his bid for the Presidency. Senator Brownback has supported and voted for every major tax cut and fought every tax increase in the U.S. Senate. He has kept his Pledge in the U.S. Senate," said Grover Norquist, president of ATR.

“I strongly encourage every Presidential candidate to sign the Pledge,” Norquist continued.

Copies of the Pledge are available at www.ATR.org or by calling (202) 785-0266.

Americans for Tax Reform is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all tax increases. For further information, contact John Kartch by phone or at jkartch@atr.org.

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