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## REP. RON FERGUSON ENDORSES HEIDI WORKMAN FOR PORTAGE COUNTY OHIO HOUSE SEAT

Says: "We need more courageous women fighting for the conservative agenda"

ROOTSTOWN, OH – Heidi Workman, a conservative activist, registered nurse, small businesswoman, wife and mother, and Republican candidate for the Ohio House 72<sup>nd</sup> District in Portage County, today announced Rep. Ron Ferguson of Jefferson County endorsed her primary challenge to Rep. Gail Pavliga, an infamous member of the "Blue-22," the 22 renegade members of the Republican caucus who joined with every Democrat last January to elect the Democrats' choice, Rep. Jason Stephens, for House Speaker.

"Heidi Workman is a real conservative committed to real results, and I'm proud to endorse her run for State Representative," said Rep. Ferguson. "We need more courageous women fighting for the conservative agenda our voters believe in, and I'm confident that's the legislator Heidi will be."

Republicans claim Gail's betrayal and the treachery of the "Blue-22" stymied the implementation of the conservative agenda. This week, Workman released a list of 22 conservative agenda items that did not make it through the Ohio House under Speaker Stephens' Democrat and "Blue-22"-enabled leadership.

The Ohio Republican State Central Committee censured Pavliga and the other members of the "Blue-22" on January 6, 2023 for throwing in with the House Democrats to elevate Stephens and thwart the conservative reform of state government. Josh Brown, a member of the Ohio Republican State Central Committee and the prime sponsor of the Pavliga censure resolution, has endorsed Workman's campaign.

"Rep. Ron Ferguson is the ultimate battle-tested 'true conservative,'" said Workman. "I am honored and grateful to receive such a compliment from a stalwart like Rep. Ferguson. Gail Pavliga betrayed me and every Republican voter in Portage County. That's why I am in this race. Portage County wants conservative leadership, not a representative who sells out to the Democrats. That's why I am going to defeat Gail Pavliga in the GOP primary on March 19."

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