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IN A FURTHER REBUKE FOR ‘BLUE-22’ SPEAKER VOTE, OHIO GOP REFUSES TO ENDORSE PAVLIGA

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ROOTSTOWN, OH – Heidi Workman, a conservative activist, registered nurse, small businesswoman, wife and mother, and Republican candidate for the Ohio House 72nd District in Portage County, today commented on the Ohio Republican State Central Committee’s decision this weekend to withhold an endorsement for Rep. Gail Pavliga’s campaign and other members of the infamous “Blue-22,” the 22 renegade members of the Republican caucus who joined with every Democrat in the House last January to elect Rep. Jason Stephens, the Democrats’ choice, as Speaker.

“Last year, Gail’s Betrayal earned a censure; this weekend, Gail’s Betrayal cost her an endorsement by the Ohio Republican Party. On March 19th voters will have the opportunity to stand against Gail’s Betrayal and make their voices heard at the polls,” said Workman. “As this campaign unfolds, it’s becoming clearer every day that GOP leaders in Columbus don’t want Gail Pavliga on their team. This weekend’s rebuke from the Ohio Republican State Central Committee is another major rejection.”

“Gail betrayed her colleagues, her constituents and her party when she sided with every Democrat in the House to elect the Speaker,” said Workman. “Not only did Gail make an intentional decision to break ranks with her caucus – a grave error in itself – she subsequently worked against her party on too many important issues to advance the Democrat agenda. We the People are outraged. Gail singlehandedly ended her career in politics. I’m the candidate Republican voters across Portage County can trust.”

As a result of the Ohio Republican State Central Committee’s refusal to endorse Rep. Pavliga’s re-election campaign, she will not benefit from access to state party resources and assistance during her primary election campaign.

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. Last week, Workman provided a list of 22 conservative agenda items stopped by Stephens’ leadership of the House. 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.

“Last week Rep. Derek Merrin and Rep. Ron Ferguson endorsed my campaign,” said Workman. “On Saturday, the Ohio Republican Party rejected the incumbent. We’ve got all the momentum as we head into February. I encourage Republicans across Portage County to make their voices heard. We will not be betrayed! Early voting February 21st and the primary is on March 19th.”

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