

Senate District 10

Dear Fellow Republican,

The Republican fundamentals of protecting life and the family, low taxes, limited government, personal responsibility, and property rights are cornerstone principles which made our county, state, and nation great. These principles have withstood, and will continue to withstand, the tests of time and trials. These core beliefs will continue to be winning beliefs as we are faithful to "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." By living the message with integrity we will inspire winning majorities.



Very Truly Yours,

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Grassroots Focus on Anne Coker

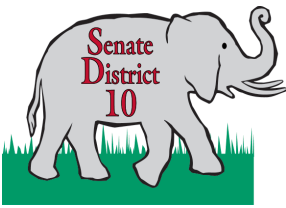
Since the age of seven, Anne Coker has considered herself a Republican. When her parents were supporting John F. Kennedy in the 1960 Presidential election, she was backing Nixon. When she was finally able to vote in the 1972 Presidential election, she proudly cast her first ballot for Richard Nixon.



Gary and Anne Coker Besides working on campaigns, she has been an officer in The Arlington Republican Club for over 4 years. She has served as 2nd Vice President of Membership and is currently serving as 4th Vice President of Legislative Alert. The Arlington Republican Club is one of the most active grassroots organizations in the state and provides a forum for average citizens like Anne to get involved and serve the agenda of the Republican Party.

In 1989, she founded Profiles Plus, which markets and interprets a full line of pre-employment assessments nationwide. Anne credits the policies of Ronald Reagan for giving her the "entrepreneurial spirit" and confidence to start her own business, which still operates today.

Anne has lived in Texas for over 33 years and has been a resident of Arlington since 1985. She resides in North Arlington with her husband Gary, and daughter, Kellie 18, who is a senior at Lamar High School. When not working or taking part in political activities, Anne likes to travel and "see the world."



RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

Passed by the State Republican Executive Committee, September 20, 2008

WHEREAS, a primary function of the Republican Party of Texas is to recruit and elect candidates that embrace the principles articulated by the Republican Party of Texas Platform and to enact those principles legislatively;

WHEREAS, the success of our Republican candidates depends heavily upon the tireless efforts of the grassroots volunteers of our party, as well as the support of fellow Republican candidates and office holders; and

WHEREAS, any Republican candidate or office holder who supports in any way a member of another party against a fellow Republican demoralizes and damages the unity and teamwork of our party;

RESOLVED, that the Republican Party of Texas requests that every Republican public and party candidate and office holder refrain from using his or her office, title, or name to endorse, support, or campaign for a candidate of another party, or against the candidate of the Republican Party; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be delivered to each Republican State House candidate and office holder and each Republican State Senate candidate and office holder, as well as all Republican Party County Chairmen.

Adopted by the Republican Party of Texas this 20th day of September, 2008.

Presented by Russ Duerstine, SD28

Tribute to Fort Worth City Councilman Chuck Silcox

By Steve Hollern, former chairman of the Tarrant County Republican Party and president of the Tarrant County Republican Assembly

October 8, 1943– October 24, 2008

It's an old and trite phrase, but never could it be more truly said than that Chuck Silcox was "one of a kind!" Chuck acted on his instincts and always tried to follow what he felt was the correct course of action that incorporated both his own principles and the needs of his constituents. Indeed, his passing will leave a hole in the community – both personally, for many of us, and politically.

Chuck once remarked "I know I'm a little rough around the edges, but what you see is what you get." Yes, Chuck was a straight-shooter, one who wouldn't varnish the facts or his stand on issues just to avoid irritating a powerful official or prominent citizen. He didn't mind going up against the "establishment" but on other issues could just as easily be part of that establishment.

The citizens of Fort Worth had a taxpayers' advocate in Chuck and the Republicans of Tarrant County had an elected official that was willing to throw his weight behind conservative issues.

We'll miss you, Chuck. And the world will be a little less bright and enjoyable now that you're gone.



Chuck and his wife Brenda

Tribute to Dr. Byron de Sousa

By Clyde Picht, former Fort Worth City Councilman

January 15, 1949– September 27, 2008

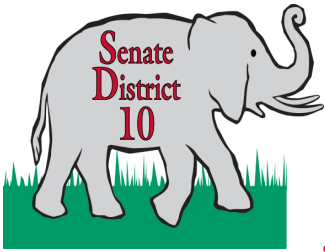
Dr. Byron de Sousa was quite a remarkable man. He entered medical school in Brazil at age 19. After graduation he came to the USA, went on to get a PhD at Ohio State, and specialized in anesthesiology at UCLA. He taught at several local colleges and universities.

Byron was also interested in serving his community and was appointed to the city planning commission where he served seven years representing city council district 6. He served three terms as commission chair. He became more involved in politics helping several candidates in their quest for public office. Losing by a very narrow margin, he ran a vigorous race for district 6 city council.

Byron was extremely well versed on relevant issues and made proposals on transportation, growth, education, and the environmental dangers inherent in the hydraulic fracturing process. He was a man who was ahead of his time. Byron was a thorough researcher and was looking for solutions before most people realized the scope of our problems. (continued on page 3)



Byron N de Sousa, M.D., PhD



Tribute to Dr. Byron de Sousa Continued

Byron was elected to chair his precinct and was appointed election judge. He attended district conventions as well as two state Republican conventions. He was just as avid in support of his neighborhood where he was the association president. He went to great lengths to improve the appearance and values of the area where he lived.

The loss of Dr. Sousa is a loss to our party as well as to our community. He will be greatly missed.

Congratulations Deeia Beck!

Senate District 10 Republican Deeia Beck has been appointed by Governor Perry to serve as Public Counsel for the Office of Public Insurance Counsel. Deeia says she is “honored and humbled by this opportunity to serve the citizens of this great state.”

Back to Basics

2008 Republican Party of Texas Platform Preamble & Principles

PREAMBLE

Throughout the world people dare to dream of freedom, of opportunity, of a beautiful country in which to grow, to raise their family, to worship God in their own way without fear. The embodiment of the Conservative Dream in America is Texas. Our Texas. It is we who strive to protect our culture from destruction, our children from predators, and our dear country from those who would waste it. It is we who preserve the embattled conservative traditions that have made our nation the greatest in history. It is we who have upheld human dignity and opposed buying or selling of human life in slavery or in test tubes. We know that free people and free markets can solve the challenges that plague or threaten all Americans.

We are the party of ideas, of innovation, the party of the Information Age. We are the bottom-to-top party of the people, not the top-to-bottom party of the state. We are the Republican Party of Texas. We offer specific, concrete, creative yet prudent change. God bless Texas and God bless America. We respectfully submit that the grass roots of this Party have properly written its platform, with ideas and planks drawn from neighborhood precincts across our State. This platform is indeed the heart and soul of our Party. We encourage all Republican candidates and officeholders to champion these critical issues clearly and forthrightly before the people of Texas and America.

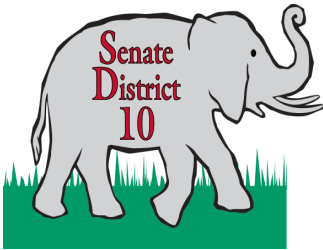
We thank our officeholders for already putting into law the following former plans: Jessica’s Law; Seat Belts for School Buses; the Defense of Marriage Act; the banning of most government funding of human embryo stem cell harvesting; and giving school districts the ability to pool insurance.

PRINCIPLES

1. We respect and cherish the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and our Founders’ intent to restrict the power of the federal government over the states and the people. We believe self-government, based on personal integrity of a proper moral foundation, is the best government. This is best balanced with limited civil government, coupled with public trust, to provide collectively for the people those services not efficiently achieved individually.
2. We believe that human life is sacred, created in the image of God. Life begins at the moment of fertilization and ends at the point of natural death. All innocent human life must be protected.
3. We believe that good government is based on the individual, and each person’s ability, dignity, freedom, and responsibility must be honored and recognized. We believe equal opportunity is a right and a privilege but equal outcome is not. We insist that no one’s rights are negotiable and that individual freedom demands personal responsibility.
4. We believe that government spending is out of control and needs to be reduced. We support fundamental, immediate tax reform that is simple, fair, and fully disclosed.
5. We believe that traditional marriage is a legal and moral commitment between a natural man and a natural woman. We recognize that the family is the foundational unit of a healthy society and consists of those related by blood, marriage, or adoption. The family is responsible for its own welfare, education, moral training, conduct, and property,
6. We believe that a well-educated population is fundamental to the continued success of our Republic; and that parents have the right, as well as the duty, to direct their children’s education. This right should include choices among public, private, home and religious schools. Competition improves education.



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7. We believe that the future of our country depends upon a strong and vibrant private sector unencumbered by excessive government regulation.

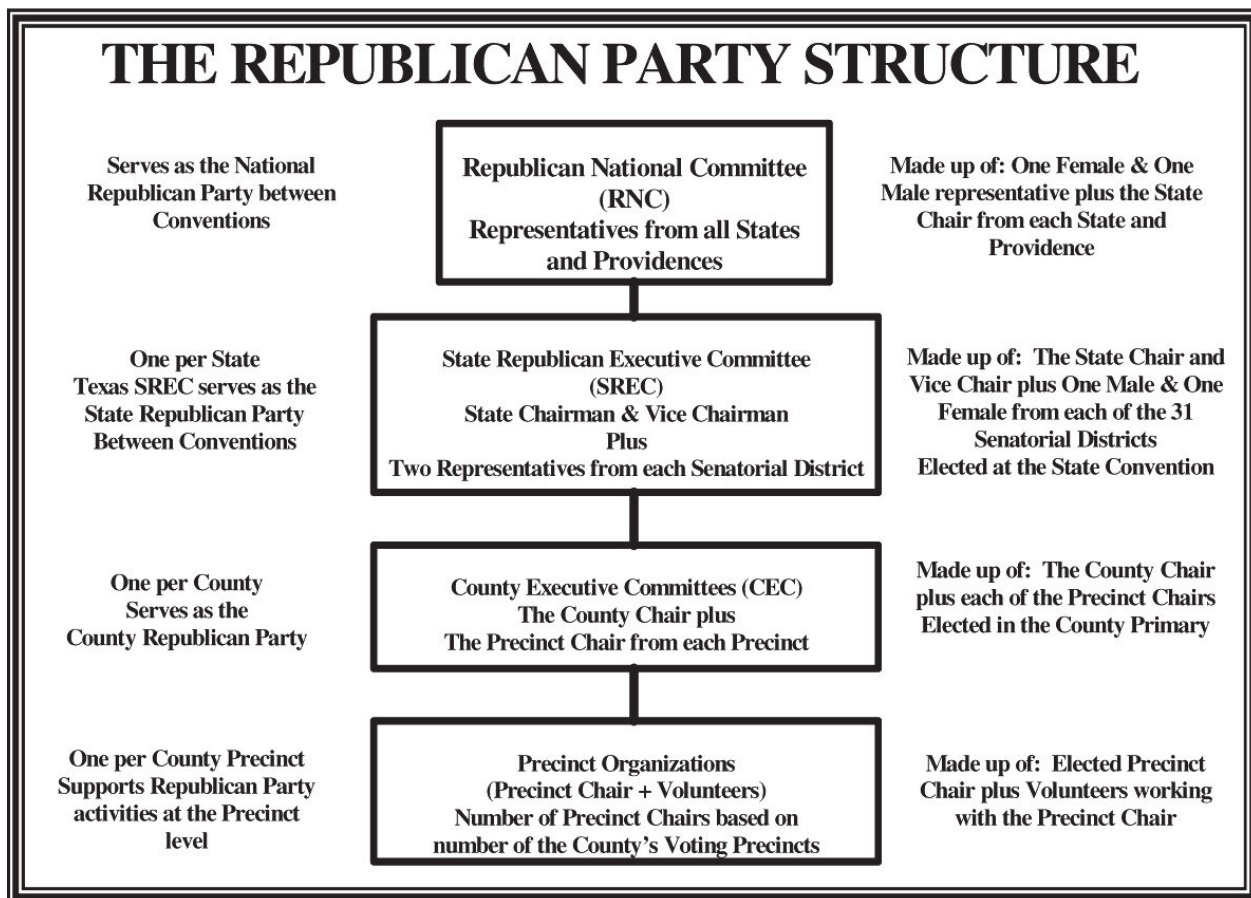
8. We believe that a strong America ensures a free America. While we recognize that our nation is the primary leader in the global community, we must also vigorously protect the sovereignty of the United States.

9. We believe in peace through strength. We take a principled stand to preemptively defend the citizens of the United States against all foes, foreign or domestic, whose goal is to destroy our American way of life. Freedom is never free, and we honor all those who have served our nation to protect our liberty, especially our men and women in uniform, who unselfishly and courageously defend our country.

10. We believe all Americans have the right to be safe in their homes, on their streets, and in their communities. We support enforcement of the laws through the Courts imposing swift and sure justice with stiff penalties, truth in sentencing, and respecting the rights of law-abiding citizens, while opposing judicial activism.

(Taken from the 2008 Republican Party of Texas Platform, page 7)

Republican Party Structure



Attend Local Republican Clubs!

Learn and enjoy fellowship with other Republicans by attending local Republican clubs. A list of meeting times and locations for the Republican clubs is found on www.SenateDistrict10.com and www.tcgop.org.