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CRAM RUSH-PAC ISSUES GENERAL ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS

Lansing – Today, the County Road Association of Michigan RUSH-PAC announced their 2012 General Election endorsements for the Michigan House of Representatives.

“Michigan’s transportation infrastructure is in crisis,” County Road Association director, John Niemela said. “Our State needs leaders who understand how vital the local road and bridge network is to Michigan’s economy and to our quality of life.”

RUSH-PAC endorsements are made not on the basis of political party, but by who has done or would do the best job of helping to improve Michigan’s local and state transportation infrastructure. The candidates endorsed by RUSH-PAC have demonstrated an understanding of the numerous legislative priorities that impact local road agencies, and deserve our support.

Endorsements for the 2012 General Election are based on responses to a questionnaire on local transportation issues, input from our Trustees, and the voting records of incumbent legislators.

“Michigan residents rely on the local road and bridge network to carry goods to market and their children to school, to ensure emergency vehicles reach their destinations and to take them through the activities of daily life,” Niemela said. “RUSH-PAC seeks to educate and support candidates who will make Michigan’s transportation infrastructure a priority, allowing the State to compete for jobs in the 21st Century.”

The County Road Association of Michigan Rural and Urban Streets and Highways Political Action Committee (CRAM RUSH-PAC) is the political fundraising arm of the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM). CRAM represents Michigan’s 83 county road agencies which collectively maintain 75 percent of Michigan roads; more than 90,000 miles and 5,700 bridges.

(MORE- See Endorsement List Page 2 and 3)

The Following Candidates Received RUSH-PAC Endorsement for the 2012 General Election:

***Bold = Incumbent**

<u>District</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Candidate</u>
District 1	Democrat	Brian Banks
District 2	Democrat	Alberta Tinsley Talabi
District 5	Democrat	Fred Durhal, Jr.
District 6	Democrat	Rashida Tlaib
District 8	Democrat	David Nathan
District 9	Democrat	Harvey Santana
District 10	Democrat	Phil Cavanagh
District 11	Democrat	David Knezek
District 12	Democrat	Doug Geiss
District 13	Democrat	Andrew Kandreas
District 15	Democrat	George Darany
District 17	Republican	Anne Rossio
District 22	Democrat	Harold Haugh
District 24	Republican	Anthony Forlini
District 25	Republican	Sean Clark
District 26	Democrat	Jim Townsend
District 29	Democrat	Tim Greimel
District 31	Democrat	Marilyn Lane
District 34	Democrat	Woodrow Stanley
District 37	Democrat	Vicki Barnett
District 46	Republican	Bardford Jacobsen
District 48	Democrat	Pam Faris
District 49	Democrat	Jim Ananich
District 50	Democrat	Charles Smiley
District 52	Democrat	Gretchen Driskell
District 54	Democrat	David Rutledge
District 55	Democrat	Adam Zemke
District 58	Republican	Kenneth Kurtz
District 59	Republican	Matt Lori
District 60	Democrat	Sean McCann
District 62	Democrat	Kate Segal
District 65	Democrat	Bonnie Johnson
District 69	Democrat	Sam Singh
District 70	Republican	Rick Outman
District 71	Republican	Deb Shaughnessy
District 74	Republican	Rob VerHeulen
District 75	Democrat	Brandon Dillon
District 79	Republican	Al Pscholka
District 80	Republican	Bob Genetski
District 82	Republican	Kevin Daley
District 83	Republican	Paul Muxlow
District 84	Democrat	Terry Brown

RUSH-PAC Endorsements for the 2012 General Election Continued:

***Bold = Incumbent**

District 89	Republican	Amanda Price
District 91	Democrat	Collene Lamonte
District 92	Democrat	Marcia Hovey-Wright
District 94	Republican	Tim Kelly
District 95	Democrat	Stacy Oakes
District 99	Republican	Kevin Cotter
District 101	Republican	Ray Franz
District 102	Republican	Phil Potvin
District 103	Republican	Bruce Rendon
District 104	Republican	Wayne Schmidt
District 106	Republican	Peter Pettalia
District 107	Republican	Frank Foster
District 108	Republican	Ed McBroom
District 109	Democrat	John Kivela
District 110	Republican	Matt Huuki

Local Roads Matter: to schools; to business; to emergency response times;
to seniors; to health care; to families; to agriculture; to tourism;
to revitalization; to the economy; and **to every Michigan resident!**

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