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PRESS RELEASE

BURNET COUNTY

The Burnet County Republican Party Executive Committee met on April 19, 2022. In a rare move the committee voted to endorse candidates in the SD24 and HD19 primary runoff races.

In the Senate race the committee voted to endorse Lt Colonel Raul Reyes (Ret) as their choice to be the next SD24 Senator. Reyes is endorsed by retired State District Judge Gil Jones and Retired County Judge David Kithil who was also the Republican County Chair for many years. You may find additional information on the candidate website. <https://www.reyes4texas.com/>

The committee endorsed Ellen Troxclair as their choice for State Representative in HD19. Due to redistricting, our current HD 20 State Representative, Colonel Terry Wilson, will now represent Williamson County. He has endorsed Ellen Troxclair in this race. Ellen Troxclair has also been endorsed by all four Burnet County Commissioners and the Burnet County Sheriff. She has a long list of other endorsements including retired State District Judge Gil Jones and Retired County Judge David Kithil. You can find a complete list on her website.

<https://www.troxclairfortexas.com/endorsements>

Last night, the neighboring Travis County GOP formally censured 'Protect and Serve Texas PAC' for lying about Ellen Troxclair and falsely claiming she defunded the police. Ethics reports show, Troxclair's opponent's campaign consultant, Craig Murphy, uses this PAC to attack their opponents from a "third party." In [condemning this PAC](#), the Tarrant County GOP stated: "This is a direct attempt to mislead voters... All contributions to the PAC are from his clients or related parties and all expenses go to Craig Murphy's companies."

The County Party does not usually endorse and in making these endorsements they want you to know that they feel very strongly that these are the two people that will best represent Burnet County and the issues we are facing. This was not a decision made lightly or without spending a considerable amount of time with all the candidates. The Party wishes to encourage voters to vote in the runoff election on May 24, 2022. Early voting begins on May 16, 2022. Please see the Burnet County Republican Party website for links to voting information and links to the candidates websites. <https://www.burnetcountyrepublicanparty.org>

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