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Three Top Landowner Rights Organizations Endorse Rep. Gary VanDeaver in the House District 1 Republican Primary

New Boston, TX – The Forestry PAC (Texas Forestry Association), the Texas Farm Bureau AGFUND, and the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association PAC have all chosen to endorse incumbent conservative Republican Gary VanDeaver as their pro-landowner rights candidate of choice in the 2022 Republican Primary for House District 1’s seat.

“Representative Gary VanDeaver is a steadfast supporter of Texas ranchers and landowners,” said TSCRA PAC Co-Chairman Hughes Abell. “We are pleased to endorse Representative VanDeaver for reelection to the Texas House of Representatives and are confident he will continue to be a strong leader and advocate for the rights and values we cherish.” The TSCRA-PAC is an organization that was founded in 1877 to fight cattle rustling, and then grew to handle trail fights. Their members consist of over 15,000 ranchers and they are world-renowned for their special rangers.

“We need to keep strong conservative voices for agriculture at the Texas Capitol,” said Texas Farm Bureau AGFUND President Russell Boening. “Gary VanDeaver has become one of those voices because of his background in agriculture and public education. He understands the challenges facing our farmers and ranchers in House District 1 and will continue to represent them well.” The Texas Farm Bureau AGFUND is an organization that only endorses those candidates they believe are qualified for leadership and demonstrate basic beliefs and actions that are consistent with Farm Bureau policies. Their mission is to be the voice of Texas Agriculture, with over 500,000 member-families that provide food, fiber, and fuel to Texas and the nation.

Rep. VanDeaver has one of the strongest property rights voting records in the Texas House of Representatives, including playing a key role in passing HB 2730 to protect property owners in relation to eminent domain. This crucial piece of legislation just became effective on January 1st, 2022. Rep. VanDeaver also supported and helped pass HB 5 to expand rural broadband, SB 725 to protect property tax exemptions, HB 3833 to crack down on property taxes, and HB 1480 to criminalize damage done to animal or crop facilities resulting in over \$500. All of these were major victories for Texas landowners and Texas agriculture.

The Texas Forestry Association is made up of forest-minded landowners, businesses, and professionals who endorse candidates they know are guided by conservation philosophies. Rep. VanDeaver has been a proponent of conservation since he was a young boy, continued to uphold that philosophy as an agricultural vocational teacher, and currently abides by it as an active cattleman and landowner.

“I stand for individual liberties, which includes protecting the rights of landowners as well as limiting the power of the federal and state government in intervening in local affairs,” said Rep. VanDeaver. “I have always been opposed to the land grab that the Marvin Nichols reservoir represents. I am unwilling, however, to turn that opposition into a disrespectful discourse with those who support the project, because I know that will alienate us from the decision-making process and create worst-case scenarios for our area. I will continue to oppose the project, as I have consistently done for the last 8 years, but I will also continue to advocate for the citizens of House District 1 to have the most local control over the outcome.”

To find out more about where Rep. VanDeaver stands on this and other issues, citizens are encouraged to visit his website, www.garyvandeaver.com.

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