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The Texas Association of Realtors Endorses Rep. Ryan Guillen's Re-Election Campaign

AUSTIN - Citing his shared commitment to promoting and protecting private property ownership and rights and keeping homeownership affordable, the Texas Association of Realtors (TREPAC) has endorsed the re-election campaign of Representative Ryan Guillen (D- Rural South Texas).

"I have worked hard to create a better environment for Texans to purchase, sell, and own real estate without unnecessary burdens and costs," said Guillen. "Protecting private property ownership and South Texan property owners has always been and will remain a priority of mine."

Guillen has long fought to reduce the tax burden on property owners in Texas so that people aren't forced from their land. Property taxes are assessed at the local level, not by the state, but the state can take action to try to reduce that tax burden. The homestead exemption is a state program that gives homeowners a break on their property taxes by exempting some of the value of their home from taxation. In 2015, Guillen was critically important to the passage of legislation which increased this exemption from \$15,000 to \$25,000, saving South Texan property owners thousands of dollars. Guillen has also been a long-time supporter of legislation to protect the ag exempt status of property owners.

"I am proud to have the support of The Texas Association of Realtors, and I will continue to work with them to make South Texas an even better place to live, work, and raise a family," said Guillen.

TREPAC was created in 1920 and has become the largest professional realtor membership association in Texas. With more than 100,000 members the organization focuses on promoting and protecting private-property ownership and rights. They serve as advocates for realtors and property owners to assist in keeping homeownership affordable.

Serving ten rural South Texas counties in the Texas House of Representatives, Ryan Guillen is known for his hard work, fierce independence, and relentless efforts for South Texas families. Recently, Capitol Inside called him a "House Bill Machine," and a "one-person assembly line for legislation." Since elected, few other legislators have passed more bills than Guillen. Sign up for updates at ryanguillen.com, facebook.com/representative.guillen, and twitter.com/ryanguillen



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