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RIFLE ASSOCIATION ENDORSES GUILLEN

The Texas State Rifle Association Announces Support For Guillen's Re-Election

AUSTIN - The Texas State Rifle Association has announced their endorsement of Representative Ryan Guillen (D - Rural South Texas) as he seeks re-election in March. As an gun enthusiast, Guillen understands the importance of protecting the 2nd amendment and the rights to firearms.

"As someone who has always been a part of a working family, I recognize the positive impact organizations such as the Texas AFL-CIO can have on people's lives," said Guillen. "They have worked endlessly to improve conditions for working people and I am proud to work on legislation that will further their cause."

Since his election, Guillen has worked to improve the lives of working families in Texas, with a special focus on improving economic and workforce development and bringing good jobs to South Texas. In 2010, Guillen was instrumental in securing \$1 billion in funding for economic and workforce development, and he has helped that number grow to \$3.3 billion. These funds are allocated to programs such as the Texas Enterprise Zone which focuses on local communities by helping them bring in new jobs while facing economic distress. Rep. Guillen has also helped direct at least \$156 million to the people of District 31 for workforce development programs that help job seekers attain education, training and support services needed to secure employment. Guillen's efforts have led to a decrease in unemployment in his district from 9.6% to 6.3%, and his district has seen an increase in average yearly wages by approximately 29% from 2002 to 2016.

"We have accomplished so much in the past few years, but more remains to be done so I will continue to fight every day on behalf of the working families in South Texas," Guillen added.

The Texas State Rifle Association has served Texans by protecting the lawful possession and use of firearms, providing gun safety training and supporting the shooting sports, hunter education and wildlife conservation efforts since 1919. The TSRA Political Action Committee focuses to educate elected officials, the media, and the general public about issues relating to by the Second Amendment.

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



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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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