John Szewczyk Endorsed by CBIA for State House 100th District

The Connecticut Business & Industry Association (CBIA) today endorsed John Szewczyk for election to the state House of Representatives, representing the 100th District.

Connecticut is at a historic turning point. The state has lost more than 100,000 jobs since the beginning of the recession and is facing huge budget deficits. Given our state’s fiscal situation, business-as-usual at the Capitol—and throughout state government—is no longer a viable option.

“Much of our economic future depends on what priorities our next governor and our new state legislators bring to the Capitol after the elections this fall,” says John R. Rathgeber, CBIA president and CEO. “Connecticut clearly needs a change in policy direction. We need lawmakers who are committed to restoring business confidence in our state so that employers will invest, grow, and create jobs here. And we need leaders who are committed to solving our fiscal problems by making fundamental changes to reduce the size and cost of state government.”

Legislators elected to the 2011 General Assembly will be forced to deal with the state’s serious fiscal and economic challenges. Most of those running for office say jobs and the economy are their top priorities, but voters need to press candidates to explain exactly how they will revive our economy, restore fiscal responsibility, get back the jobs we’ve lost, and create sustainable jobs for the next decade.

“We must all support candidates in the upcoming election who, like John, understand the challenges of running a business in Connecticut and the connection between successful companies on one hand, and economic growth and job creation on the other,” says Rathgeber. “If we all pull together, we just might see some encouraging results in November.”

Szewczyk, who lives in Durham, is seeking election in the 100th District, which includes the towns of Durham, Middlefield, and Middletown.

More about Szewczyk can be found at CBIA’s Election 2010 website, cbia.com/election. The site also features a complete list of CBIA-endorsed candidates and information on key issues in the upcoming election.

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