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ANNIE'S LIST ENDORSES SHEILA JACKSON LEE FOR HOUSTON MAYORAL RACE

Austin, TX: Today, Annie's List PAC, a statewide political organization that supports pro-choice, progressive women in Texas, announced the endorsement of Sheila Jackson Lee for Mayor of Houston.

Ahead of the November 7, 2023 election, Annie's List is investing time, resources, and staff support into competitive local elections. The organization is emphatic that municipal races, especially Mayorals, are key to making progress in communities across Texas.

Annie's List released the following statement on behalf of Executive Director, Ana Ramón: "Sheila Jackson Lee's tenure in the U.S. House of Representatives as TX-18's Congresswoman is well-respected and her influence is unmatched. From voting rights to healthcare to economic prosperity, Jackson Lee has been a longtime champion for our Democratic values.

"Annie's List is committed to supporting pro-choice women candidates running in Texas at all levels of government, and as Houston's next Mayor we are confident Sheila Jackson Lee will fight tirelessly for our families and our futures. As the country's fourth largest city, a strong Houston is vital not only to Texas but to our nation."

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Annie's List PAC has won more than 170 races across the state - making it one of the most successful political organizations in Texas. Since its founding in 2003, Annie's List has raised more than \$20 million to help progressive women run efficient and effective campaigns.

Annie's List's 20th anniversary comes at a critical moment in our history. Women's rights are under attack; there is a growing onslaught of restrictive abortion laws, threats to the LGBTQIA+ community, and challenges imposed on public schools. Today, more than ever, there is an urgent need for Annie's List.

With a proven track record of supporting women on their paths to elected office across all levels of government, Annie's List is a driving force for gender equity in Texas. And until equity is achieved, Annie's List Champions, staff, donors, allies, and volunteers will work tirelessly to advance women of all backgrounds in Texas politics.