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Bill Montgomery for County Attorney Press Conference Scheduled for 11am Today Top Hispanic Republican Backs Bill Montgomery for County Attorney Jesse J. Hernandez Signs On as Honorary Campaign Co-Chair

(Phoenix, AZ) “I am pleased to announce that **Jesse J. Hernandez** has agreed to serve as an Honorary Co-chair of my campaign. Jesse is truly an inspirational voice for Hispanics throughout Arizona, and his support underscores my call for incorporating community leaders to protect and strengthen our community in Maricopa County”, stated Bill Montgomery, who added, “This is an important time in Arizona politics, and it’s vital we all pull together to work toward a common goal of having a community we can all be proud to live, work, and raise our families in. This necessarily means using all of the resources at our disposal to fight crime, including each of our laws to address the impact of illegal immigration. That’s the American way, and it’s something Jesse believes in passionately”.

Bill Montgomery will be introducing Jesse J. Hernandez and his two other Honorary Campaign Co-chairs at a news conference at the headquarters of the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association (PLEA), at 11:00 am on Thursday, June 17th. PLEA is located at 1102 West Adams Street, in downtown Phoenix.

Jesse J. Hernandez is a first-generation Arizonan, who was born in Nogales and raised in Phoenix, where he attended East Phoenix High School. Upon graduation, he joined the U.S. Army Police Corps, serving in West Germany. After completing his military service, Hernandez worked at United Parcel Service (UPS) as a delivery driver

and Teamster shop steward, excelling as a strong labor negotiator and labor leader and moving up the ranks of management in UPS's Phoenix metro operation.

Jesse has since become a fixture on the Arizona political scene, with more than 20 years of community and political activism under his belt. In May, 2001, he co-founded the Arizona Latino Republican Association (ALRA), where he serves as Chairman and Executive Director. He has chaired and been a member of numerous not-for-profit and government boards including Mothers Against Gangs, Arizona Future Foundation, Arizona Appellate commission and the Arizona Works Procurement Board. He has also worked on many political campaigns from precinct committeemen, city council races, state legislature races and gubernatorial races to former Vice President Dan Quayle's presidential campaign.

Jesse joins **Len Munsil**, an accomplished attorney, public policy expert and 2006 Republican candidate for Arizona governor and **Dr. C. T. Wright, Ph.D.**, a respected educator and Founder and Chairman of The Light of Hope Institute and Founder of Christians Teaching Wisdom, as co-chairs of the Bill Montgomery campaign.

Bill Montgomery is the only conservative Republican running for Maricopa County Attorney in this August's primary election. He is a dogged prosecutor, tireless victims' rights advocate and former Deputy County Attorney, who oversaw a dramatic drop in auto thefts while serving as Bureau Chief for the Auto Theft Bureau.

Bill Montgomery is running for Maricopa County Attorney for all the right reasons. He is committed to enforcing all the laws of Maricopa County, including SB 1070, which is supported by 70% of Arizonans and a similar percentage of Americans across the nation. "It's an important tool, in conjunction with our Employer Sanctions and Human Smuggling laws, to deal with the pressing issue of illegal immigration where national and local leaders will not lead, have proven incapable of following, and need to get out of our way. I am confident that in partnership with law enforcement officers throughout the Valley, we can do this in a way which respects the Constitution and our American values", Montgomery says.

Bill Montgomery's bid to become our next County Attorney continues to rack up impressive, high-profile endorsements. In addition to his new campaign co-chairs, his campaign has garnered support from Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association (PLEA), the Arizona Police Association (APA) and U.S. Representative Trent Franks, all joining the chorus of calls for a true Conservative Republican for County Attorney.

To learn more about the Bill Montgomery and to schedule an interview with our next County Attorney, please contact Ron Meritt at (480) 225-0722.

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