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Annie's List endorses Devan Allen for Tarrant County Commissioners Court

(AUSTIN, TX)- Annie's List, the statewide political organization that works to elect more pro-choice, Democratic women leaders to office in Texas, is proud to announce the endorsement of Devan Allen for Tarrant County Commissioner, Precinct 2.

Allen, a commercial real estate consultant and first time candidate, has extensive experience in public service, both at the city and state level. Including: as council aide for the Fort Worth City Council, working with the Hon. Wendy Davis during her first year in the Senate to establish district operations, and serving as field director, campaign manager and district director for State Rep. Chris Turner.

"Devan is prepared for the intricacies of public office and has been incredibly thoughtful in choosing to run for a position where she can have the most impact for the people of Tarrant County," said Monica Gomez, Annie's List Political Director.

Devan prioritized her education as a child, all while dealing with the impact of the incarceration of both her parents and intermittent homelessness, and at times completed homework by candlelight. While pursuing a higher education, Devan worked overnight as an EMT and later became the first person in her family to earn a college degree.

Now, Devan advocates for affordable, accessible health care, the homeless, victims of abuse and better transportation services, with the intention of building a system that allows all Texans to progress. Devan understands the need for a strong county government.

"We are thrilled to invest in first-time candidates, like Devan, who we believe are the future of Texas. A record number of women have stepped up to run for office this year, and there is huge opportunity for new perspectives to be brought to the table," said Jennifer Treat, Annie's List Interim Executive Director.

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Annie's List works to achieve equity for women by changing the face of leadership in Texas. We recruit, train, support and elect progressive, pro-choice women leaders who are dedicated to advancing the self-determination, health, safety and financial security of Texas women and their families. Since our founding in 2003, Annie's List has trained thousands of women to run for office, contributed nearly \$5 million directly to our endorsed candidates and won more than 100 races up and down the ballot and across the state.

This year, Annie's List is excited to support the ground-breaking campaigns of three tremendous prochoice Democratic women candidates for statewide office and many more who are running for local and state legislative offices. We are also proud to have trained and/or supported fully two-thirds of eighty Democratic women running in 2018 for the Texas state legislature.