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CHAN ANNOUNCES CAMPAIGN FOR GOP NOMINATION FOR TEXAS SENATE

San Antonio City Councilwoman Elisa Chan today announced her Republican candidacy for Texas State Senate in District 25 which covers North-Central Bexar, Kendall, Comal, Hays and parts of Guadalupe and Travis Counties.

Chan currently represents San Antonio's conservative Council District 9. She is President of Unitech Consulting Engineers, a structural and civil engineering firm founded by Chan and her husband, Clifford, 21 years ago. On the Council, Chan is a dedicated fiscal and social conservative who has enjoyed the strong support of voters in her three elections.

As a steadfast foe of tax increases and a fierce opponent of wasteful government spending, Chan has focused on building a pro job-creation environment. In her time in office, she has been a leader in attracting new jobs to the region. Her conservative values have often put Chan at odds with Democrat Mayor Julian Castro and she has not shied away from opposing his spending programs and liberal social agenda.

"Our state and our families face serious threats over the next four years," said Chan. "Our energy industry is under attack by the Obama Administration, the Obama economic policy has stalled job creation and prosperity, gradually destroying the middle class – the heart of our nation. And Obamacare is a threat to our national economic health and our individual health itself. Misguided policies pushed from Washington are steadily degrading our quality of education, our family values and even our ability to defend ourselves from violent criminals. We must have a strong and effective voice to counter those forces and push the frontiers of freedom forward."

"Ronald Reagan called America a shining city on the hill," said Chan. "I know this to be true because I saw that light from a distance and was drawn by it. I understand that keeping the American light shining has become the job of Texans. The values that have drawn people to this sacred land for centuries are brightest now right here in Texas and we must defend them."

Chan and her husband Clifford have one daughter who is an eighth grader at Concordia Lutheran School. Chan earned her Master's degree in Computer Science from the University of Texas San Antonio.

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