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NELSON ELEVATED TO NRCC YOUNG GUNS "CONTENDERS" STATUS

Top Republican Shawn Nelson Rises To Higher Tier In NRCC's Coveted "Young Guns" Program

ORANGE COUNTY – May 2 –The National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) announced today that Shawn Nelson was elevated to a higher tier of the Young Guns program know as the "Contenders" phase. It is particularly difficult to achieve the sought-after "Contenders" status and is reserved for candidates who meet the NRCC's stringent qualifications. The news adds to the campaign's wave of success as Nelson consolidates Republican support. Nelson has racked up all of the major Republican endorsements from the California Republican Assembly, the Lincoln Club of Orange County, County Supervisors and high-profile federal endorsements, too.

Shawn responded to the NRCC's announcement, "Our campaign is delighted to be inducted into the next tier of the Young Guns program. This is yet another great victory

that puts us in the lead to win in June. I'm proud to be established as the Conservative voters can trust to fix Washington."

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Shawn Nelson has lived in Orange County's 39th District his entire life. During his career Shawn built a successful litigation firm with offices in Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside and Los Angeles Counties. Nelson was elected to three terms as Councilman and Mayor of Fullerton before being elected to the Orange County Board of Supervisors. As an outsider, Nelson used his legal background and common sense conservative approach to move Orange County forward by investing in modern infrastructure to create jobs and fulfilling his main campaign promise by placing the County of Orange into the lowest pension formula in the state with employees paying the largest share in the state.

During his eight years on the Board of Supervisors, Nelson has prioritized critical issues like reducing the unfounded pension liability, improving infrastructure, solving homelessness, helping our local economy grow and keeping our streets safe. He served multiple terms as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and worked to bring needed reform and solutions for Orange County's Residents. Nelson served as Chairman of the Orange County Transportation Authority, as well as Chairman of Metrolink, bringing solutions to pressing traffic and infrastructure issues. Unafraid of a challenge, Nelson has made real progress on reducing regulations that strangle business, streamlining regulations and voting to fund innovative crime fighting solutions such as advanced uses of DNA evidence in the Orange County Crime lab.

Supervisor Nelson and his wife, Sharon, have lived for 19 years in the same home in the 39th District and have three children: Kathryn, Shane, and Amanda.