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**NVTC TechPAC Announces Endorsements for Several  
General Assembly Seats in Northern Virginia**

**HERNDON, Va. – September 30, 2011** – The [Northern Virginia Technology Council \(NVTC\)](#) TechPAC, the political action committee of the Northern Virginia technology community, announced today its endorsement of 35 candidates running for General Assembly seats in Northern Virginia.

The announcement follows a six-month process where the 23-member TechPAC Board of Trustees reviewed each candidate's campaign platforms and proposals, voting records and positions on issues of importance to Northern Virginia's technology community. Three of the endorsements are for open seat races where TechPAC Trustees also conducted in-person interview sessions with each candidate and their opponent.

"Over the past six months, the NVTC TechPAC Board of Trustees devoted substantial time and effort toward evaluating candidates seeking to represent Northern Virginia's technology business community as members of Northern Virginia's General Assembly Delegation," said NVTC TechPAC Chairman Dendy Young, chairman and CEO of McLean Capital LLC. "While we did not engage in every race, we have endorsed these 35 candidates, all of whom we believe will support issues of importance to our technology community and champion policies and investments to promote a stronger Commonwealth."

The 35 General Assembly candidates endorsed by NVTC TechPAC are:

**Senate**

13th Senate District: Shawn Mitchell  
27th Senate District: Senator Jill Holtzman Vogel  
29th Senate District: Senator Charles Colgan  
31st Senate District: Caren Merrick  
32nd Senate District: Senator Janet Howell  
33rd Senate District: Senator Mark Herring  
34th Senate District: Senator Chap Petersen  
35th Senate District: Senator Dick Saslaw  
36th Senate District: Senator Toddy Puller  
37th Senate District: Senator Dave Marsden  
39th Senate District: Senator George Barker

**House**

31st House District: Delegate Scott Lingamfelter  
32nd House District: Delegate Tag Greason  
33rd House District: Delegate Joe May  
34th House District: Delegate Barbara Comstock  
35th House District: Delegate Mark Keam  
36th House District: Delegate Ken Plum  
37th House District: Delegate David Bulova

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38th House District: Delegate Kaye Kory  
39th House District: Delegate Vivian Watts  
40th House District: Delegate Tim Hugo  
41st House District: Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn  
42nd House District: Delegate Dave Albo  
43rd House District: Delegate Mark Sickles  
44th House District: Delegate Scott Surovell  
45th House District: Delegate David Englin  
46th House District: Delegate Charniele Herring  
48th House District: Delegate Bob Brink  
50th House District: Delegate Jackson Miller  
51st House District: Delegate Rich Anderson  
52nd House District: Delegate Luke Torian  
53rd House District: Delegate Jim Scott  
67th House District: Delegate Jim LeMunyon  
86th House District: Delegate Tom Rust  
87th House District: David Ramadan

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### **About NVTC TechPAC**

Launched by NVTC in 2001, NVTC TechPAC is governed by a 23-member Board of Trustees that includes prominent business leaders representing many of the largest and well-known technology businesses in the region as well as the smaller entrepreneurial businesses that help drive Northern Virginia's technology economy. NVTC TechPAC identifies and supports General Assembly candidates throughout the state, as well as those candidates for governor and attorney general, whose positions, policies and initiatives best reflect the priorities and interests of Northern Virginia's technology community.

NVTC TechPAC endorsement decisions are based on the issues and priorities articulated in the Northern Virginia Technology Council's Policy Agenda ([www.nvtc.org/advocacy/](http://www.nvtc.org/advocacy/)). For more information on NVTC TechPAC visit [www.nvtctechpac.org](http://www.nvtctechpac.org).

### **About NVTC**

The Northern Virginia Technology Council (NVTC) is the membership and trade association for the technology community in Northern Virginia. As the largest technology council in the nation, NVTC serves about 1,000 companies from all sectors of the technology industry, as well as service providers, universities, foreign embassies, non-profit organizations and governmental agencies. Through its member companies, NVTC represents about 200,000 employees in the region. NVTC is recognized as the nation's leader in providing its technology community with networking and educational events; specialized services and benefits; public policy advocacy; branding of its region as a major global technology center; initiatives in targeted business sectors and in the international, entrepreneurship, workforce and education arenas; the Equal Footing Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charity that serves local area youth; and The Entrepreneur Center @NVTC which mentors new technology entrepreneurs. Visit NVTC at [www.nvtc.org](http://www.nvtc.org).

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