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VIRGINIA AGPAC ENDORSES STUART FOR SENATE

STAFFORD, VA – Virginia AgPAC, a political action committee of the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation, announced this week its endorsement of former Westmoreland County Commonwealth’s Attorney and Virginia Senate 28th District Republican candidate Richard Stuart. Stuart grew up picking sweet corn and fishing crab pots, and currently lives on an organic farm.

“My parents taught me what’s special about growing up in this region - our values, our traditions and our natural resources – and those are the lessons I will take with me to Richmond in promoting the agriculture industry,” said Stuart. “While some politicians think that there is no place for innovative solutions in the Virginia Senate, I disagree. I think we need to be partners with, not work against, farmers on important issues such as cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay and supporting our forestry industry – and I will be honored to be that partner if given the privilege of serving in the Virginia Senate.”

Stuart is among 29 Senate candidates statewide that Virginia AgPAC has endorsed. Endorsements were based on the recommendations of local committees of farmers.

“Each of these candidates has demonstrated a clear understanding of the needs of agriculture and forestry or has a favorable voting record in support of agriculture and Farm Bureau issues,” said Wayne F. Pryor, chairman of Virginia AgPAC.

The non-partisan Virginia AgPAC, created in 1999, employs in-kind contributions to support candidates who can best support agriculture and Farm Bureau issues. A full list of candidates endorsed by the committee can be viewed on the Virginia Farm Bureau Web site at www.vafb.com.

With more than 148,000 members, VFBF is Virginia’s largest farm organization.

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