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Patrick Henry Caucus Co-Founder and Utah Representative Ken Sumsion Endorses Mike Lee

Leader of Utah's largest legislative district encourages delegates and constituents to back Lee in restoring Constitutional debate to Congress

Salt Lake City, UT, March 26, 2010 — Utah State Representative Ken Sumsion (R-American Fork) is the latest to join the list of state legislators endorsing Mike Lee's campaign for the U.S. Senate. At a training and "Meet the Candidates" event Thursday night for newly-elected delegates in Legislative District 56, Sumsion handed out a letter indicating his view of the Senate race.

Sumsion framed the letter as an attempt to highlight his efforts to address "an out-of-control federal government." Stating that he initially hesitated to endorse a challenger in the Senate race due to his role in the Patrick Henry Caucus, he was strongly urged by delegates and citizens in his district to speak out.

"I am supporting Mike Lee for U.S. Senate," Sumsion wrote. "I am very comfortable that Mike understands the Constitution and is well grounded in conservative values after working with him on numerous pieces of legislation, including health care and federal land issues."

Reacting to this new endorsement, Mike Lee expressed his appreciation for the symbolism conveyed by Sumsion's support. "I'm pleased that Rep. Sumsion has endorsed my candidacy for the U.S. Senate. An increasing number of state legislators—advocates of limited government, fiscal conservatism, and state sovereignty—are adding their support to our campaign. Ken has done a great job advancing these caucuses in Utah, and I'm happy to know that he feels I will be their champion within the halls of Congress."

About Mike Lee: An attorney from Alpine, Utah, Mike has spent his career helping individuals and organizations get overreaching government regulations and control out of their lives and businesses. A lifetime student of the Constitution, he graduated from the Brigham Young University Law School. Mike served as a law clerk to Judge Dee Benson of the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah and later spent time as General Counsel to Governor Jon Huntsman. Mike has twice served as a law clerk to current Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito. He first clerked for the solidly conservative jurist at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, then was asked to return as a clerk during Justice Alito's important first year on the bench of the U.S. Supreme Court. Mike has also held positions in private practice, and is currently a partner with the Washington, D.C.-based law firm of Howrey LLP. His understanding of the Constitution and law have

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