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U.S. Term Limits Applauds Illinois Special Election Candidates for Signing Pledge

Palm Beach, FL – U.S. Term Limits (USTL), the leader in the national movement to limit terms for elected officials, today praised U.S. House candidates Mike Flynn and Darin LaHood for signing the USTL congressional term limits pledge.

“Mike Flynn and Darin LaHood have shown exceptional leadership by standing with 75 percent of the American people who support term limits on Congress,” said USTL President Philip Blumel. “Their commitment to changing how D.C. works will undoubtedly put lobbyists and professional politicians on notice.”

Blumel reiterated that term limits have near-universal support with citizens, and are only a controversial issue amongst members of the permanent political class.

“Gallup polling shows that term limits have huge majorities with Democrats, Republicans and Independents,” he said. “The one obstacle we face are the career politicians using their pulpits for decades on end.”

The U.S. Term Limits Amendment Pledge is provided to every announced candidate for federal office. It reads, “I pledge that as a member of Congress I will cosponsor and vote for the U.S. Term Limits amendment of three (3) House terms and two (2) Senate terms and no longer limit.”

The U.S. Term Limits Constitutional Amendment has been introduced in both the U.S. Senate by Senator David Vitter (R-LA) and the House of Representatives by Representative Matt Salmon (R-AZ).

Blumel concluded, “Our country needs a turn around, and we can’t afford to wait for one. The political class has let the constituency down by refusing to cooperate and listen to the ones who originally elected them into power. It is time to limit their terms and return control of our nation to people who have actually had to create a job, earn an honest paycheck and pay a mortgage. It is time for a constitutional amendment limiting congressional terms.”

The term limits amendment bills would require a two-thirds majority in the House and Senate, and ratification by 38 states in order to become part of the constitution.

Mike Flynn pledge: <http://ustermimitsamendment.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/Flynn-IL-House-18.pdf>

Darin LaHood pledge: <http://ustermimitsamendment.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/LaHood-IL-House-18.pdf>