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Meyers to Run in GOP Primary for 8th Congressional District, Takes Aim at Rep. Marshall

Valerie Meyers, a mother of two who lives in Houston County, announced today that she will seek the Republican nomination for the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. The GOP candidate will be chosen in the primary election July 20, 2010. Meyers is a Republican activist who is seeking public office for the first time.

She immediately took aim at Democrat Rep. Jim Marshall and his support of the Obama administration.

"Jim Marshall has voted to hand over \$200 billion to the failed mortgage lenders Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae. Jim Marshall voted \$700 billion of taxpayer money to failed Wall Street banks. Jim Marshall voted in favor of the Obama administration's economic stimulus package - that cost taxpayers \$600 billion."

"Quite simply, we cannot afford Jim Marshall as a representative."

"I am a concerned Georgian who is deeply troubled about legislators like Jim Marshall who vote to recklessly spend our country's future into a hole. The actions of these legislators effectively make our children indentured servants to the federal government, selling away any real 'hope' for their future."

Twelve of Georgia's 13 Congressmen have supported legislation in the House of Representatives for a full audit of the Federal Reserve to find out exactly where the trillions have gone, Meyers noted. The only member who has declined to co-sponsor HR 1207 is Marshall.

"I am running for this office because I am outraged about what is happening in Washington. Georgians want to know why a representative like Marshall continues to pay lip service to the freedoms and liberties guaranteed by our Constitution while expanding the intrusive power of federal government into every part of our lives."

Meyers is one of five Republican candidates who have declared their intention to run in the primary. The other four are former Bibb County Republican Party Chairman Paul Rish, Ken DeLoach, an assistant principal at Central Fellowship Christian School, Macon resident and businesswoman Angela Hicks, and Dianne Vann.

Meyers is a lifelong Republican who firmly and emphatically believes in the principles of limited government under Constitutional authority. Meyers is an active member of the Georgia Republican Party and most recently served as a vice chairman in the 8th Congressional District.

She has served as a delegate at the county, district, and state Republican conventions and as a precinct chairman for her district. She has actively campaigned for fellow Republican candidates and effectively supported GOP campaign fundraisers since 1990.

Meyers served as Houston County Coordinator and 8th Congressional District Coordinator for Texas Congressman Ron Paul's 2009 presidential campaign, helping to organize grassroots support of hundreds of volunteers across five middle Georgia counties: Baldwin, Bibb, Houston, Peach and Laurens. Meyers remains active in Campaign for Liberty, a direct offshoot of Paul's liberty-minded grassroots movement which champions fiscal responsibility in government. Meyers was the organization's Regional Coordinator for the 8th Congressional District before stepping down to run for Congress.

Meyers is a technical writer and information technology business analyst for Computer Sciences Corporation where she analyzes and documents supply chain and inventory management logistics for software development. Much of her work involves product development for Robins Air Force Base as well as other U.S. Air Force bases across the nation.

Meyers lives in Bonaire with her two children, Isabel and Zane. She is a member of Warner Robins Church of Christ. A native of Huntsville, Alabama, Meyers is a graduate of the University of South Alabama in Mobile, Alabama. She is currently working on her Master's Degree in international business administration at Mercer University in Atlanta. As a health enthusiast, Meyers has been an avid runner for nearly twenty years and participates in many marathons and triathlons.