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Mark Hillman, Republican National Committee and Former State Senator is a Colorado native, a farmer, "recovering journalist" and a former Majority Leader of the Colorado Senate. He also served as Colorado's State Treasurer and was recently elected to represent the state on the Republican National Committee. In the Colorado Senate, Mark has been a leader in the fight to protect the rights of private property owners against government takings; halting frivolous lawsuits; demanding personal responsibility; promoting economic opportunity in rural communities; and empowering parents through educational choice and accountability. He frequently comments as a guest or host for radio personality Mike Rosen on Denver's 850 KOA.

Ryan Frazier, Aurora City Councilman was elected to the Aurora City Council in November 2003 and re-elected in 2007. In addition to serving as a Councilman, Ryan works with a tele-communications corporation and is a senior business partner in a small IT business. Prior to serving on city council, he worked for Raytheon Corporation and served five years in the U.S. Navy. Ryan is a founding member of Highpoint Academy, a public charter school which educates over 600 students per year. He has served on numerous non-profit boards. Councilman Frazier has unyielding faith in the power of freedom and principle. He supports free markets and strives to uphold fiscally prudent, common sense, and responsible government.

Karen Kataline, Dedicated Conservative, Professional Entertainer, Social Worker, talk radio host, and assertiveness trainer, Karen Kataline is also a former President of the Jewish Republicans of Colorado. You can hear Karen several times a month as a co-commentator on BackBone Radio with John Andrews, Sundays, from 5-8PM on 710 KNUS. She has taught communications and public speaking at the New School for Social Research, Parsons School of Design in New York, and New Jersey's Montclair State University among others. As a performer she has appeared in television and film and has toured the country in musical comedies. She lends her operatic voice to a variety of fundraisers and community events and has sung the National Anthem for many more including the New Jersey Nets and George W. Bush's visit to Fiddler's Green in Denver in 2004.

Jim Noon, Colorado Republican Business Coalition & Small Business Owner is a board member and past Chairman of the Colorado Republican Business Coalition, a group advocating the interests of small business in Colorado. Jim has been a small business owner in the Denver area for 24 years. In 1985 he founded Centennial Container Inc., a corrugated box and packaging company specializing in creative recycling of obsolete boxes as well as a full line of packaging products. Frequently interviewed in the press, Jim's views on business issues have been featured in Colorado Biz, Denver Business Journal, USA Today, Entrepreneur Magazine, and 9News.

Ben DeGrow, Policy Analyst, Independence Institute—Education Policy Center is a Colorado-based public policy analyst with a focus on education labor issues. Since joining the Independence Institute in 2003, Ben has advanced its research in the areas of collective bargaining, teacher unionism, teacher employment, and school finance. Ben has authored numerous opinion-editorials that have appeared in the Rocky Mountain News, Denver Post, Colorado Statesman, Colorado Daily, HeadFirst Colorado, and Denver Daily News. Ben has made many guest appearances on Colorado radio and television programs to discuss policy issues. He has testified before legislative committees and has given presentations to community groups, legislators, candidates and national conferences

Bob Coté, Step 13, is living proof that a person can overcome his addiction. In 1982 Coté's life was as bleak as anyone on the street today. For Coté, his personal demon was alcohol, but he fought back and beat his addiction. As a result he came back from the street with a vision to help others fighting their own demons. Step 13 has helped thousands of men. Coté was named one of America's most virtuous citizens by *George Magazine*, featured on a prime time ABC special with John Stossel, and recognized by the "1,000 Points of Light" program by President George H. Bush. Articles about Coté and step 13 have appeared in *The Wall Street Journal, American Enterprise, The Washington Times, Reader's Digest, San Francisco Examiner, Baltimore Sun, Investor's Business Daily, National Review, Insight magazine and The Washington Post.* Television coverage includes ABC World News, NBC Nightly News, CNBC, CNN, C-Span, Fox News and