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MCCLINTOCK AND STRICKLAND —TOO EXTREME FOR CALIFORNIA

Both candidates have a dangerous history of opposing women's rights

Two of the candidates for statewide office have a dangerous record of opposing women's rights throughout their legislative careers. Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland's legislative records have received little or no attention during their statewide campaigns for Lt. Governor and Controller, despite the fact that their voting histories are completely out of touch with California voters. When it comes to reproductive rights, violence against women, family medical leave, women's health care and gender discrimination, Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland have among the worst voting histories on record. Attached is a list of bills that demonstrates their lack of support for the fundamental rights of women. The question is - will the voters find out before Election Day just **how draconian** McClintock and Strickland are? If Californians elect McClintock and Strickland they will move women back to the dark ages and endanger their health and safety.

"Most voters have no idea that Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland have a long history of voting against reproductive rights, pay equity, family medical leave and protections from gender discrimination and violence against women. In the Legislature, Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland were consistently on the losing end of votes when opposing women's rights, but electing them to statewide office would be a disaster," explained Janice Rocco, spokesperson for the California National Organization for Women's Political Action Committee.

"There is no other candidate more extreme than Tom McClintock, bar none," said Kathy Kneer, CEO/President of Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California. "Since he was elected in 1982, McClintock's voted against **everything** a woman has the right to, and make no mistake, McClintock would ban abortions tomorrow if he could. A vote for McClintock is a vote for South Dakota and Tony Strickland is just a Tom McClintock in training."

"California voters want candidates who support commonsense measures to prevent unintended pregnancy and stand united behind our shared values of freedom, privacy, and personal responsibility. McClintock and Strickland's consistently anti-choice voting records show that they are out of touch with the majority of Californians," said Amy Everitt, state director of NARAL Pro-Choice California.

Women's groups call on California voters to vote for women's rights and against these two extremists. Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California (PPAC), the California National Organization for Women (NOW), and NARAL track legislators' voting records on a range of issues that impact the lives of women and girls. Their legislative report cards from past years are online at www.ppacca.org, www.canowpac.org/reports.php, and www.VoteChoiceCA.org.

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Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland – too extreme for California

Since 1982, Tom McClintock has voted against women's rights. Tony Strickland followed McClintock's lead with an anti women's rights voting record for all three of his terms in the State Assembly. Both have voted against funding for family planning. The following is a sample of recent votes Tom McClintock and Tony Strickland cast against women's rights and health care.

Reproductive Rights

SB 1301 (Kuehl) Reproductive Privacy Act - Signed in to law in 2002

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which codifies *Roe v. Wade*.

SB 780 (Ortiz) California Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act – Signed in 2001

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which protects patients and health care providers from clinic violence.

AB 39 (Hertzberg)/SB 41 (Speier) Access to Contraceptives – Signed into law in 1999

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which increases access by requiring health plans to cover FDA approved contraceptives.

Comprehensive Sexual Education

SB 71 (Kuehl) Comprehensive Sex Education – Signed into law 2003

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which Consolidated, clarified and expanded the education code in the areas of sex education and HIV/AIDS prevention education.

Violence Against Women

AB 22 (Lieber) Human Trafficking – Signed into law in 2005

McClintock voted against this measure which established civil and criminal penalties for trafficking human beings and creates a task force to combat trafficking. (Tony Strickland was not in the Legislature at the time.)

AB 606 (Jackson) Domestic Violence Emergency Grants – Signed into law in 1999

McClintock voted against this measure which provides victims of domestic violence with an emergency grant from the Victim Restitution Fund to relocate in order to flee a batterer.

AB 1928 (Jackson) Violence Against Women Act (Jackson) - Signed into law in 2002

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which mirrors the civil rights provision in the federal Violence Against Women Act.

Family Medical Leave

SB 1661 (Kuehl) Paid Family Medical Leave – Signed into law in 2002

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which created a paid family leave program, which permits workers to take up to six weeks of paid leave to care for an ill family member or new child. The system is funded by employee payroll deductions.

Breast Cancer

SB 5 (Rainey) Breast Cancer Insurance Coverage - Signed into law in 1999

McClintock voted to allow health insurance providers to deny health coverage to women who are without breast cancer, but who have a family history of the disease or have had a test to screen for it.

Gender Discrimination

AB 2317 (Oropeza) Pay Equity - Vetoed in 2004

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which imposes financial penalties on employers who discriminate based upon gender in paying their employees.

AB 76 (Corbett) Sexual Harassment – Signed into law in 2003

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which protects employees from sexual harassment by clients or customers.

AB 1670 (Judiciary Committee) Fair Employment and Housing – Signed in law in 1999

McClintock and Strickland voted against this legislation which prevents workplace discrimination, including discrimination against pregnant women.