

City of Jonesboro

Resolution No. _____

Introduced by:

A RESOLUTION URGING ALL CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES TO IDENTIFY WHO THEY WOULD SUPPORT FOR SPEAKER OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IF THEY ARE ELECTED IN NOVEMBER.

WHEREAS, there is no legal requirement that the Speaker of the House of Representatives be an elected member of Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker of the House is as powerful as the President in driving and shaping legislation that impacts local communities. Additionally, the Speaker is third in line to the Presidency; and

WHEREAS, we are experiencing what may be the most partisan division in the House of Representatives in U.S. history. The value of educating voters about the Speaker's importance will provide the public with greater information to make more educated decisions. Funding, spending and policy decisions in Washington, including the issuance of mandates that must be followed locally, have a tremendous impact on our community;

WHEREAS, local leaders have a fiduciary duty to help educate their local constituents about such an important matter and uniquely have the ability to put pressure on local Congressional candidates to candidly reveal their positions on the issue because they represent so many people; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Jonesboro wishes to urge Congressional candidate Chad Causey to publicly answer the simple question: "If elected in November, who would you support for Speaker of the House?" The answer or lack of an answer is a crucial point for constituent consideration and replies will be forwarded to the Speaker Education Project, a non-partisan educational group that is collecting and publishing those replies.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the offices of Causey for Congress with the request of a reply.

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Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption; otherwise, at the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading _____

President of Council

Second Reading _____

Filed with
The Mayor _____

Third Reading _____

Approved _____

Adopted _____

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Mayor