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FARNESE UNVEILS GOOD GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL; CALLS ON DOUGHERTY TO REVEAL DETAILS OF FEDERAL INVESTIGATION

Candidate for the 1st State Senate seat, Larry Farnese, unveiled his Good Government proposal this morning.

“I’ve made three promises in this election. First, I won’t lie to the people I represent. Second, I will work my tail off to achieve the goals we care about. And finally, that I’ll make decisions in an open and transparent process, with the highest ethical standards,” Farnese said. “It’s time to enact laws to ensure that everyone in the Assembly acts in the same manner.”

The wide-ranging proposal includes:

- Campaign contribution limits and the banning of lobbyist gifts.
- Improved enforcement measures.
- Measures to improve Legislators’ public accountability and the legislative process’s transparency.
- Election reform that includes revisions to the reapportionment process and judicial selection.

“Some members of the Assembly have been embarrassed by their own lack of transparency, inaccessible legislative records, lack of public input and the waste of taxpayer dollars. It’s time for us to address these problems once and for all,” Farnese continued.

While calling for government reform, Farnese also called on his opponents to live up to his example of ethical standards and transparency.

“John Dougherty is involved in the federal case against his friend Gus Dougherty. We don’t know to what extent because he refuses to release details of that investigation, including any subpoenas or search warrants,” Farnese stated. “It’s time for Dougherty to come clean to the residents of the First District.”

Farnese also pointed to Dougherty’s efforts to gut the City’s campaign finance contribution limits and to overturn the Board of Ethics reporting requirements. “Dougherty claims to represent ‘change.’ But anytime someone attempts to alter the status quo, Dougherty attempts to block, dodge or ignores the effort. How can any of us call for change unless we exemplify that change? Philadelphians deserve better.”

Farnese’s “Good Government” policy, along with his other positions, is available at www.larryfarnese.com.

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