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PERRY ANNOUNCES FINANCE LEADERSHIP FOR 2010 GUBERNATORIAL CAMPAIGN

AUSTIN, TX – Texas Governor Rick Perry today announced that Roy Bailey, Jim Lee and Gene Powell will lead his finance team in his campaign for re-election in the 2010 race for governor. The three will lead a rapidly growing team of more than 500 supporters devoted to fundraising across the state.

"The most important thing we can do for Texans right now is continue our state's forward momentum," said Perry. "With principled business leaders like Roy, Jim and Gene leading the charge, I am confident that we will marshal the resources needed to win and keep Texas winning as well."

Bailey is Executive Vice President of Hicks Holdings. Since his graduation from Southern Methodist University, Bailey has founded and led a number of companies including Premium Finance Holdings, Bailey Insurance Associates and Giuliani Partners. He previously served as Finance Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas.

"I am honored to play some role in keeping principled leadership at the helm of our state," said Bailey. "I truly believe that Gov. Perry's leadership has played the central role in Texas taking its rightful place at the head of our nation's economy. I am confident he will keep Texas on the right track."

Lee is the president of JHL Capital Holdings, LLC, a private investment company. Holder of two degrees from the University of Texas, Lee founded Momentum Securities, LLC, in 1995 and built a proprietary technology and equity trading group that sold to E*Trade after just seven years. He lives in Houston with his wife and two children.

"To boil it down, Gov. Perry understands what it takes to keep our economy going," said Lee. "His impact on the state in terms of fiscal discipline, wise investment and job creation cannot be understated and must be continued for Texas to sustain its lead."

Powell is a well-known leader in the San Antonio business community, thanks to his role as founder of Bitterblue, Inc., one of the city's largest real estate developers. As CEO of Airstrip Technologies, he has played a key role in the area of healthcare by providing technology solutions that improve patient care. He and his wife have two grown sons.

"A simple comparison between the state of affairs in Texas and those in Washington make it clear that we need to keep doing things Texas-style," said Powell. "Employers understand that our state's combination of low taxes, predictable regulations and fair legal system allows them to create more jobs in a way that Washington continually tries to hinder. With Gov. Perry at the helm, Texas will continue heading the right direction."

See next page for members of the Perry 2010 Finance Team.

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