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WILMINGTON CITY LEADERS ENDORSE REED

Wilmington, DE – May 6, 2008 – Wilmington City Leaders State Senator Margaret Rose Henry, Representatives Dennis Williams and Hazel Plant, Council members Kevin Kelley, Charles Potter Jr. and Sam Prado have given their endorsements to Gene Reed, a Democratic candidate for Insurance Commissioner for the State of Delaware.

Reed has also recently received the endorsements of the Democratic committees for the 10th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 22nd and 26th Representative Districts. These new Representative Districts cover areas including Bear, Brandywine, Newark, New Castle and Hockessin in New Castle County.

"I am offering my endorsement for Gene because I am certain he will have the best interests of the citizens of Wilmington in mind when dealing with the insurance industry," said Councilman Kelley. "Gene Reed consistently comes through for our Wilmington constituents and is the best candidate for insurance commissioner and has my full support ."

Councilman Prado offered his endorsement and said, "I decided to drop out of the Insurance Commissioner's Race and support Gene Reed because I realized that he has the experience and knowledge to lead this important office. This Insurance Commissioner is probably going to be the most important office in the state after the Governor. We need someone with Gene's experience to make sure the right decisions are made for the people of Delaware. We need someone who will protect consumer rights while also encouraging business and competition in Delaware. I believe that Gene can balance these interests and make sure insurance is affordable and available to all of our citizens. Gene is the right man for the job and I will be pulling the lever for him in September and November."

"There are too many un-insured and under-insured Delawareans," explains Senator Margaret Rose Henry. "For us to ever make a difference to those struggling to get insurance, we need a Commissioner who knows what it takes to get the job done. I believe Gene Reed is that person."

"I am thrilled to receive the endorsements of these esteemed Wilmington City leaders, as well as so many New Castle County Representative districts," says Reed. "As insurance commissioner, I will be accessible to those who represent all the constituencies in Delaware."

The only candidate for Insurance Commissioner with this level of experience, Gene Reed has helped thousands of Delawareans who have had problems with their insurance first-hand.

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