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State Representative,
District 117

It has been my honor to be the voice of the working families of District 117 in the Texas House. I am respectfully asking for your vote again on November 4. When I was first elected, I promised

that I would work for everyone in this district and would work with anyone to get things done. Doing what it takes to get things done for all of us has been my approach since I was first elected and it will continue to be my approach in the future.

While the Republicans continue to favor policies that benefit corporations and the wealthy, I continue to focus my efforts on helping the middle class families of Texas. My priorities continue to be:

- Supporting our active and retired teachers and building strong public schools
- Keeping higher education accessible and affordable to all students
- Protecting our children and seniors
- Keeping health care affordable and accessible

- Decreasing property taxes
 - Protecting the rights of every individual property owner
 - Increasing government accountability
 - Ensuring public safety
 - Protecting our environment and improving our air quality
 - Opposing the construction of toll roads
 - Promoting economic development in Bexar County
- I have been fighting for all of you here in San Antonio and in Austin while the Legislature is in session. I am also happy to report that many of my legislative initiatives became law last year including:
- Giving the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality the authority to write new rules governing the regulation of compost recycling facilities like the Helotes recycling facility to prevent future fires.
 - Protecting Texas drivers by increasing the penalty for selling an automobile with a defective or counterfeit airbag.
 - Helping disabled veterans by requiring the Texas Residential Construction Commission to provide a list of builders that construct accessible housing and to encourage all builders to build accessible housing.
 - Making state government more energy efficient by requiring state computers to use energy management software and requiring vending machines on state

- property to use power management devices.
- Encouraging the development of solar energy in this state by giving incentives to schools to install solar panels on their roofs.
- Protecting the privacy of Texas drivers by preventing the sale or distribution of driver information collected on Texas toll roads.
- Protecting Texas homebuyers by requiring sellers to notify buyers if the home they are selling was used as a methamphetamine lab.

I am proud of these accomplishments but much still has to be done. Property tax relief passed in 2006 has proven to be fleeting and we must pass policies that make property tax relief significant and permanent. Tuition deregulation must end because it has succeeded only in making it harder for middle class families to send their kids to college. Too many families still lack health insurance in Texas and are only one serious illness away from economic disaster. I am committed to solving these problems and I am convinced that Democrats are close to turning this state blue. When we have new leadership in Washington and in Austin, we will be able to put our families first again and make sure their priorities are the priorities of our government.

Thank you for allowing me to be your voice in the Texas House.

Frances Carnot
State Representative,
District 122

Frances Carnot is a wife, mother, teacher, advocate, and leader, whose life story is one of service and accomplishment. Frances has dedicated her life to the proposition that people are empowered through education. As a wife, mother, and educator who raised a

family in the district, she understands the work that must be done to ensure that our children enjoy the same opportunities her family has enjoyed. As an advocate, mentor, social worker, and adult probation officer for the domestic violence court of Bexar County, Frances has witnessed the consequences of inadequate schools, poor decision-making and the serving of special interest before our common interests. Frances believes that the school districts in house district 122 are the foundation for our growth and prosperity. They should be recognized and their excellence nurtured and protected by the state legislature.

Frances Carnot graduated from Our Lady of the Lake University of San Antonio and entered the teaching profession in 1978. That same year she married Alfred A. Carnot who recently retired as Captain of the San Antonio Police Department after 33 years of service. They have a son, Alfred E. Carnot.

As an educator, she has served as an elementary and secondary teacher, and college instructor. As an advocate, she has been a mentor, social worker, and adult probation officer for the domestic violence court

of Bexar County. In these positions, Frances has created and implemented programs to help families and children.

Frances respects all faiths, and follows her path as a Christian. She understands the strength that faith brings to individuals and families in times of crisis and great personal challenge.

Frances Carnot's dedication to providing every constituent with a voice in government has been recognized by an appointment to the Texas Advisory Council for the United States Commission on Civil Rights. Her candidacy continues her commitment to that cause. She believes that elected leaders must serve all their constituents and not just special interests. Frances understands that all legislation in the Texas House of Representatives must serve the best interests of District 122.

Frances believes that government must respect the family and recognize its place in the community. Protecting the unique role of family must be a priority of the legislature. The work of women and men, at home, at jobs, and in professions must be honored and valued in legislation.

From her long experience at public service, Frances believes that leaders must bring people and communities together with a common purpose and never divide them with false issues. Leadership in District 122 must be defined by the opportunities it creates and its willingness to seek common sense solutions to challenges.

Frances Carnot's community service is demonstrated by her involvement and leadership in the following organizations:

- Texas SAC member to the United States Commission on Civil Rights
- Bexar County Democratic Women of Texas – Past

President

- Bexar County Federation of Teachers Union #1356
- Chi Sigma Iota National Honor Society
- National/Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education Texas Community College Teachers Association
- Texas Association of College Technical Educators
- City of Leon Valley Zoning Commission (former member)
- San Antonio Conservation Society Board of Directors (former director)
- Visiting Nurses of South Central Texas (former Advisory Council Member)
- Fiesta San Antonio Commission (former member)
- Mexican American Business and Professional Women (former member)
- National Federation of Business and Professional Women (former member)

