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**LES
AuCOIN**

Democrat

OCCUPATION: U.S. Congressman.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Journalist; Army Veteran; Public Information Director, Pacific University, Forest Grove; Administrator, Skidmore, Owings and Merrill.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate of Redmond High School and Pacific University; Recipient of Honorary Doctorate of Laws, Pacific University.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Chairman, Congressional Task Force on Home Ownership; Chairman, House Task Force on Industrial Innovation; Chairman, House Subcommittee on Merchant Marine Training and Education; Two-term Member, former Majority Leader, Ore. House of Representatives.

LES AuCOIN. Native Oregonian. Honored by B'nai B'rith with annual Brotherhood Award. Selected by TIME Magazine as one of 100 national leaders in field of housing. Named one of Ten Outstanding Young Men in America by U.S. Jaycees.

LES AuCOIN and his wife, Susan, are parents of two children: daughter Stacy and son Kelly.

A RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

LES AuCOIN stands on his record. A record of achievement — for people, for Oregon.

Les led the fight to lift the ceiling on interest rates so small savers can earn higher rates on their passbook accounts.

Les quickly recognized the economic consequences of the eruption of Mount St. Helens and called the White House. Within 24 hours, the President of the United States was in Oregon.

Les, mindful of Oregon's strategic location on the Pacific Rim, spearheaded efforts to open trade with China, and led the first state trade delegation to China.

Les, concerned about jobs, formed the House Task Force on Industrial Innovation, a major force working to reindustrialize America.

Les, in his first committee chairmanship, authored a pioneering law to reform the training of U.S. seamen, saving taxpayers money and ensuring better trained officers for U.S. flagships, river barges and increasingly sophisticated fishing boats.

Les, in his six years on the Housing Subcommittee, steered legislation creating an additional 500,000 housing units for Americans and boosting Oregon's timber-based economy.

Les helped create the Solar Bank to finance alternative energy projects. Les also pushed through legislation to help innovative communities such as Portland speed up conservation efforts.

Les, on learning of Amtrak's plans to ax the "Pioneer" train from Portland through Eastern Oregon, went to work getting the facts. His homework saved the "Pioneer."

Les refused to let senior citizens be tossed out of downtown hotels converted into apartments because the federal government wouldn't recognize them as housing units due to their lack of individual kitchens. First Les got a special demonstration project approved for Portland, then he changed the law.

Les reversed years of failure and won approval to extend the Tillamook south jetty, saving the harbor and the county's economic future.

Les played a key role in protecting millions of acres of wildlife refuges in Alaska.

When LES AuCOIN is on the job, the job gets done.

A RECORD OF DISTINCTION

A Congressman isn't judged just on what he gets done, but on what he stands for — and against.

- Les voted "NO" on an additional 10-cent federal gas tax.
- Les voted "YES" on a truly balanced budget.
- Les voted "NO" on taxing Social Security benefits.
- Les voted "YES" on ending the tax on interest earnings for small savers.
- Les voted "NO" on withholding 15 per cent of interest savings.
- Les voted "YES" on amendments to cut excess spending.
- Les voted "NO" on the \$1.5 billion bailout of Chrysler.
- And, Les voted "NO" on a Congressional pay raise.

A RECORD OF RESPONSIBILITY

Les knows INFLATION is the number one villain because it threatens jobs, pensions, quality of life, the future. That's why Les is tight-fisted with the public's dollar and is pressing for a balanced budget to lower interest rates and curb inflation. That's why he favors an eventual tax cut to stimulate productivity.

Les knows the people want a solid ENERGY POLICY. That's why he's pursuing policies to conserve energy and develop new energy solutions that are cost-effective, safe and renewable. That's why he opposes more nuclear power plants because they are expensive and risky.

Les knows that people want a SECURE DEFENSE. That's why he voted against boondoggles like the obsolete B-1 bomber and called instead for improving U.S. conventional military forces. That's why he favors higher pay for military personnel.

A RECORD OF RESPONSIVENESS

LES AuCOIN listens to people. He travels 100,000 miles annually to come home to listen. He visits every county and every city in his district on a regular basis. He has held 70 town hall meetings since he was elected. He has conducted mobile office tours, visiting small communities where no Congressman ever had been before.

Les operates a toll free number (1-800-452-1920) so anyone anywhere can call him. Every week Les and his staff answer more than 600 letters and 500 telephone calls. Annually, he helps more than 2,000 individuals unravel hassles with the federal government — from lost Social Security checks to harassment by bureaucrats.

No problem is too difficult, or too small:

Les sponsored legislation recreating a reservation for the Siletz Indians, but only AFTER he settled the question of Indian hunting and fishing rights for all time.

When a federal agency took over valuable port land near Astoria, most people threw up their hands. Les rolled up his sleeves. Now the land is owned by the State of Oregon, and can be developed.

Aloha residents were faced with a second zip code change in one year, and the loss of community identity to boot. Les faced down the Postal Service.

Immigration authorities said Korean orphan Jenny Mun was too old to be adopted by a Hillsboro couple who already had adopted Jenny's two sisters. Les passed a special law that reunited Jenny with her old family — and her new one.

A RECORD FOR THE FUTURE

LES AuCOIN. Experienced. Honest. A proven problem-solver. A listener. A doer. A rising voice in Congress for Oregon.

**LES AuCOIN.
HE'S THERE WHEN WE NEED HIM
KEEP HIM THERE NOW**

(This information furnished by Re-elect Les AuCoin Committee.)