

# Pastor Steve Riggle

SENIOR PASTOR, GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Dear Fellow American,

**Those we send to Congress must have the courage and fortitude to stand and fight for the values that have been the foundation of our greatness as a nation.**

It is my conviction that the election this year may well determine the future of our nation and the direction of our country's moral life for many decades to come.

**I have known Dr. Shelley Sekula Gibbs for many years.**

As a member of the Houston city council, **she stood by her convictions even when it wasn't popular to do so.** The true test of candidates who say "I'm here for you" comes once they have been elected: are they really there for you when you need them? Shelley has passed this test and has always been extremely diligent when we have needed help in any way with the city.

I have pastored in the 22<sup>nd</sup> District for 24 years. It is not often I endorse a candidate for office. I want to know if they represent my values. I have thoroughly discussed the issues of life, marriage and family with Shelley over the years.

Shelley is a noted medical doctor in our community who not only understands the value of life and the importance of traditional marriage and family, but will also fight for these important values in the halls of power.

I have personally asked her to speak to groups about how she came to the pro-life position as a medical doctor. It is a compelling story that all should hear.

**She is one of the most effective spokespersons I have heard for the pro-life cause.**

Shelley has practiced medicine for 28 years. Through her kind attention, **she has improved the lives of thousands.** Understanding that for many families the rising costs of quality health care are a heavy burden, she started the Healthy Houston Foundation, a private/public partnership that helps non-profit clinics provide quality medical services to underinsured patients.

In 1954, Lyndon Johnson changed the tax laws to prevent non-profits like churches from speaking out on political issues. This law prevents many Americans from speaking

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their whole minds on important political issues. **Dr. Shelley Sekula Gibbs is the only candidate who will co-sponsor legislation to give people of faith their voices back!**

She has given unselfishly over the years to her community and her church—even while being married and raising two children. Her husband Robert is very supportive of her serving her country as our representative.

**I'm convinced Shelley has the experience, knowledge and values that fully prepare her to meet the challenges we confront in Washington, DC.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Riggle", written in a cursive style.

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