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Ashby Calls for US to Encourage Iran to Allow Vote on Theocracy;
“Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, let your people vote”

St. Louis, Mo., July 12, 2024 —Missouri Better Party Congressional Candidate Blake Ashby called on Iran to allow a vote on the Supreme Council, and for the U.S. to push this vote as part of any discussions on sanctions or Iran’s nuclear program.

“The citizens of the nation of Iran should be allowed to periodically vote on whether or not they want to remain a Theocracy.” Ashby noted. “As part of any discussions or negotiations on sanctions and Iran’s nuclear program, the United States should demand that Iranians be allowed to vote on the role of the Supreme Council.”

Ashby noted that the election of Masoud Pezeshkian as President shows that Iranians want to rejoin the modern world. However ultimately Iran is not a democracy, it is a theocracy, run in the name of God by Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei. The Supreme Leader has control over every aspect of society, and a private army, the Revolutionary Guard, that only answers to him.

“If Iran wants to be a theocracy, that’s the right of its citizens – every country has the right to choose its own government.” Commented Ashby. “However the citizens of Iran should have the right to periodically affirm that choice through a vote. Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, let your people vote.”

About Blake Ashby

Ashby, a former Councilperson of Ferguson Missouri, is a successful entrepreneur and consultant with a long track record of volunteering and deep roots in the district. While on Council, he pushed for consensus and common ground, with most votes being unanimous. He truly believes that more connects us than separates us. He running in the 1st District to push back against the hyper-partisanship and anger which is harming our country.

For more information about Blake Ashby, visit blakeashby.org or find him on Facebook.

About the Better Party

The Better Party was created in Missouri to provide reasonable ballot access for independent political candidates at all levels of government. The Party will make it easier for independent candidates in the state to get on the ballot. As a result, Missouri voters will have more options when selecting who will represent them in government. The Better Party is running two candidates in this election, Jared Young running for Senate and Blake Ashby running for Congress. www.betterpartymo.com



About Jared Young

Young is an independent candidate for the U.S. Senate. He is a devoted family man, former CEO, and Harvard-educated attorney with international experience who has stepped up to provide a voter-centered approach to politics. He believes that hyperpolarized partisan politics are getting in the way of progress on our country's biggest problems – like immigration and our nation's financial situation. Politicians who swear their allegiance to their party in exchange for money and power are not prioritizing the needs of those they represent. He will be loyal to Missourians and will collaborate with others who prioritize progress over party.

For more information about Jared Young, visit www.votejaredyoung.com or find him on Facebook, Instagram, or YouTube.