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Social Security Town Hall to be held for Congressional Candidates

Johnson City, TN – A Social Security Town Hall for Republican primary candidates in Tennessee's First Congressional District will be held on **Thursday, June 8 from 7pm to 8:30pm at the D.P. Culp University Center Auditorium at East Tennessee State University**. Candidates will discuss the problems with the current system and how they would reform Social Security if elected. All Republican candidates have been invited, and David Davis, Vance Cheek, Phil Roe, and Peggy Parker Barnett have confirmed that they will be attending. Several other candidates have expressed interest but have not confirmed.

The event is sponsored by Students for Saving Social Security (S4), a national grassroots organization that educates people of all ages about reform through personal retirement accounts. It will be organized by Jeremy Tunnell, S4 Technology Director and Jason Shorter, S4's East Tennessee State University Chapter Leader. Mr. Tunnell and Mr. Shorter are both Johnson City natives and 1999 graduates of Science Hill High School.

Jeremy Tunnell commented “I’ve seen a lot of politicking about Social Security from inside the beltway, but I believe it is vital to have an open discussion about reform so that we can ensure a better retirement for all Americans. Tennessee is a great place to start an honest dialogue about reform, and I am excited to return to my hometown to host this Town Hall.”

Jason Shorter added, “Since the residents of our region have such an extraordinary group of candidates for Tennessee's First Congressional District, this event is an opportunity for East Tennesseans to find a candidate who will both protect Social Security for my parents and provide a secure future for mine.”

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