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MCCARTHY TO RECEIVE PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING

Woodbury, CT, June 25, 2008 - State Senate candidate John McCarthy of Woodbury, a former career diplomat and Ambassador for both Republican and Democratic presidents received notice today that his campaign will receive public financing of his campaign under Connecticut's ground-breaking new law.

To qualify, McCarthy, a Democrat, raised a total of \$15,000, including from over 300 individual donors in the ten towns that comprise the 32nd State Senate district. McCarthy praised the new law, which allows contributions only between \$5 and \$100, as "a great way to involve a large number of individual voters without becoming indebted to any special interests."

McCarthy's campaign is focusing on reining in property taxes, providing incentives to reduce energy costs and attracting new investment into the region. His goal is to reach across party lines and to use his experience working with major corporations and managing private voluntary organizations as a tool to bring about positive change in Hartford. He adds: "I like to think that working with presidents of both political parties uniquely suits me to find bipartisan solutions to the critical issues now facing Connecticut."

A Woodbury resident, McCarthy has served for more than three decades in the U.S. Foreign Service and State Department, including tenures as U.S. ambassador to Tunisia and to Lebanon, deputy chief of mission in the U.S. embassy in Pakistan, deputy assistant secretary of state for public affairs and economic counselor at the U.S. mission to the European Union. Community and volunteer involvement includes serving as a trustee for Save the Children USA and chairman of the International Save the Children Alliance and currently serving as a board member on the World Affairs Council in Hartford, as well as volunteering at Waterbury Hospital and the Children's Community School in Waterbury. He and his wife, Marija, have three grown children.

Note: Towns in the 32nd State Senate District include Bethlehem, Bridgewater, Middlebury, Oxford, Roxbury Seymour, Southbury, Thomaston, Watertown and Woodbury. Those seeking additional information may call campaign manager Sharon Sherman at (203) 266-9051 or visit www.friendsofjohnmccarthy.com.

This message is approved by John McCarthy.

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