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### **Fifty-two new volunteers attend five hour campaign workshop**

(Tucson) “In my opinion, Jim Kolbe just did not want to lose the Republican primary to Randy Graf and that is the real reason he withdrew from the race, pure and simple,” blasted Campaign Manager, Steve Aiken. Aiken was speaking at a Graf event that took place this past Saturday. The event was an “all-hands” meeting for Randy Graf volunteers.

Fifty-two new campaign volunteers showed their support for Graf, and also heard Tucson native and Sr. Advisor Jade Stokes say: “We are on the verge of a new generation of Republicans, ones who remember the message of our great Republican president, Ronald Reagan. That message is that we need to work together and remain the majority party.”

Stokes also told the group, “One grain of salt can change the flavor of a stew and you, the volunteers, are those grains of salt.”

When Randy Graf addressed the crowd, he stated, "You may have read in the newspaper that I am ‘too conservative,’ and that I can’t win the General Election. If I’m ‘too conservative,’ say like Ronald Reagan was in 1980, I’ll take my chances! My campaign is strictly about the issues we face in America today. I have

listened to the voters and will continue to listen."

Graf is working quickly to shore up endorsements from various Arizona politicians and organizations. He addressed the Fraternal Order of Police Monday evening, an organization which endorsed his campaign last year.

The Deputy Campaign Manager, Iris Lynch of Sierra Vista, said, "We are determined to get the facts out early enough in this election cycle to overcome personal attacks."

"We're going to get it done this time," concluded Graf. "National security begins at our borders and spending needs to be controlled. I hope to start a new trend, a new Contract with America, Part II. I truly hope this election is about the issues."

Breakfast and lunch were served to the more than 50 supporters. A sold-out fundraising banquet was held that night, featuring guest speaker Peter Gadiel, whose son was killed in Tower I on 9/11. Mr. Gadiel stated, "I know Randy Graf will always vote in favor of securing our country and keeping us safe from potential terrorists, armed drug traffickers, and human smugglers."

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