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The American Ethiopian Public Affairs Committee (AEPAC) officially launched the Maryland State Election Campaign Committee (MD-SECC).

Silver Spring, Maryland - The American-Ethiopian Public Affairs Committee (AEPAC) in collaboration with its stakeholders and supporters has officially launched the Maryland State Election Campaign Committee (MD-SECC). It is composed of twenty Ethiopian American community and business leaders in Maryland, who are invited to support AEPAC's US 2022 Midterm Election Campaign activities. MD-SECC is a Maryland Chapter of National Election Campaign Committee (NECC) which was formed recently to guide and manage US Midterm election of 2022. Accordingly, MD-SECC will conduct voter registration campaigns, conduct door to door campaigns, and provide training to encourage an active civic engagement of the Ethiopian American community and American friends of Ethiopia residing in Maryland.

Furthermore, MD-SECC will recruit volunteers, forge working relations with like-minded civic organizations to lead and manage state election campaign activities. It will engage congressional candidates and their campaign agents to educate them about Ethiopia and US/Ethiopia historical relations get their positions on issues close to Ethiopian Americans.

AEPAC is an American voluntary organization which is non-profit, non- partisan, public affairs organization that is not affiliated with any political party or with any specific candidate for election. Its mission is to strengthen and foster the US/Ethiopia relationship, enhance both countries security interests, as well as advance democracy, respect for human rights and free market entrepreneurship in Ethiopia. AEPAC strives to build a strong partnership based on the common interests and mutual benefits of the two countries.

Mr. Mesfin Tegenu, the AEPAC's Executive Chairman said "We engage with and educate US government officials, law makers, non-government organizations and the general public at all levels about the bonds that unite the two countries, with a particular emphasis on how AEPAC serves America's best interest by strengthening the over a century old bond with one of its oldest allies" Mr. Tegenu also stated that MD-SECC is one of the thirty State based Election Campaign Committees established to galvanize, coordinate and lead an civic engagement of the Ethiopian American nationwide. MD-SECC invites all stakeholders, supporters and volunteers residing in in the great state of Maryland to work together to achieve a common objective of creating a strong constituency for US/Ethiopia relations. You are invited to visit AEPAC website at www.aepact.org for further information.

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