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## **POUGNET MISLEADS VOTERS, FORGETS TO MENTION FAILED LEADERSHIP IN NEW TV AD**

Palm Desert, CA – Steve Pougnet, the liberal establishment’s candidate for Congress, forgot to inform voters in his first television advertisement of his failed record as Mayor of Palm Springs. Ryan Mahoney, Campaign Manager for Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack (CA-45), issued the following statements as a service to voters in California’s 45<sup>th</sup> Congressional District:

“Voters in this District deserve to know the truth about Steve Pougnet. In his most recent television ad, Pougnet touts his recent pay cut. However, he fails to mention that he raised his pay 65% after taking office in 2007. Mayor Pougnet claims to have created jobs in Palm Springs but fails to mention that the unemployment rate has nearly tripled since taking office. Steve Pougnet cites a balanced budget, but fails to mention that his reckless spending created a multi-million dollar budget deficit this year, forcing layoffs at the Palm Springs Police Department, the closure of a Fire Station and the local jail.

“Steve Pougnet fails to mention a lot in his television ad. I guess he needs more than a thirty second commercial to try and justify his failed leadership.”

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