



# 32<sup>nd</sup> Ward Democratic Party

Hon. John A. Fritchey  
*Committeeman*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
January 19, 2010

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
Lexi Fiedler  
773-477-8683

## **Forys + Pucinski Endorse Fritchey for County Board** *Support Fritchey as Best Candidate to Represent Polish Community*

Chicago – Two leading figures in the Polish community, Dr. Victor Forys, former Congressional candidate and current candidate for Cook County Commissioner of the 17<sup>th</sup> District, and Judge Aurelia Pucinski, candidate for Illinois Appellate Court, today announced their support of State Representative John Fritchey for Cook County Commissioner of the 12<sup>th</sup> District, a seat currently held by Forrest Claypool, who is not seeking re-election.

“I had the opportunity to get to know John when we both ran for Congress last year,” stated Dr. Forys. “He has been a leader in the efforts to clean up state government and to reduce our property tax burden. I am confident that he is the best candidate to represent our community and I look forward to working with him as he brings those efforts to the Cook County Board.”

As a state legislator, Fritchey has been a leader in passing ethics and reform legislation. He additionally led the fight to pass the law that led to the rollback of the Cook County sales tax increase supported by Todd Stroger. Rep. Fritchey has also been endorsed by Commissioner Forrest Claypool as well as by Congressman Mike Quigley.

“At this critical point in time, we need proven reformers who take on the tough issues from day one,” stated Judge Pucinski. “I have known and worked with John for many years and I believe that he is the best candidate to represent, not only the Polish community, but all of the residents of the 12<sup>th</sup> District.”

“I am proud of my friendship with, and the support from, both Dr. Forys and Judge Pucinski, both of whom are leaders in their fields and in the Polish community,” said Rep. Fritchey. “We all share a common goal of using our best efforts to serve the people that we represent and I look forward to continuing those efforts together.”

###