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**Republican Committee of Allegheny County Chairman Sam DeMarco
Issued the Following Statement on Josh Shapiro
Entering the Race for Pennsylvania Governor**

Pittsburgh – Josh Shapiro’s announcement that he is running for governor is as unsurprising as it is cynical. He has been running for governor from the day he became attorney general, just as he has run for every office with an eye toward the next. Shapiro is so calculatingly political he could have been created in a laboratory.

The cynicism of Josh Shapiro was put on garish display several years ago when he rehashed decades-old clergy abuse allegations into a hyped media event, with a grand jury presentment that showed almost no evidence that his office bothered to investigate many of the allegations carried. His Catholics-on-the-brain approach to the job of attorney general should give pause to voters in western Pennsylvania.

It’s also worth remembering that when it comes to criminals-at-large, more than a dozen of them remain so because Shapiro could not fulfill the basic functions of his office, resulting in charges being dropped against 40 heroin dealers in northeastern Pennsylvania.

With no private sector experience, and a career spent in taxpayer funded jobs from Washington to Harrisburg, Josh Shapiro’s only qualification to be governor of Pennsylvania is that he wants the position.

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