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T.W. SHANNON JOINS AFPI AS SENIOR FELLOW

Washington, D.C. - Today, the America First Policy Institute (AFPI) announced that **T.W. Shannon** will join AFPI as a **Senior Fellow for Transportation and Infrastructure at the Center for American Prosperity**.

Shannon brings a proven track record of implementing the America First Agenda to AFPI's distinguished economic team.

Shannon became the youngest Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the first Chickasaw and African American to hold the position. In that role, he advanced common-sense solutions that uplifted minority communities, such as repealing affirmative action and overhauling Oklahoma's welfare system.

After leaving the legislature, Shannon served as Chief Executive Officer of Chickasaw Community Bank, which is solely owned by the Chickasaw Nation. During his first year as CEO, he grew the bank 45%, and it now has nearly half a billion in assets.

In his new role, Shannon will focus on fixing America's crumbling infrastructure and advancing the American First policies that enhance the prosperity and freedom of all Americans. As a frequent guest on Newsmax and Fox News, Shannon is an expert on bringing the America First Agenda directly to the American people.

"I am thrilled to join AFPI, an organization that is at the forefront of unleashing prosperity for all Americans, said **Shannon**. I look forward to promoting the America First agenda to ensure our Nation's economy thrives and that every American has the opportunity to succeed."

Brooke Rollins, President and CEO of AFPI, welcomed Mr. Shannon to AFPI. "Throughout his entire career, T.W. Shannon has been a leader for the American values that make our country great. His leadership in Oklahoma's House of Representatives, particularly as the first African American Speaker of the Oklahoma House, is a testament to his profound ability to lead and inspire. We are thrilled to have him bring his vast transportation and infrastructure policy expertise to the America First Policy Institute."

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About AFPI:

AFPI is a 501(C)(3) non-profit, non-partisan research institute focused on advancing policies that put the American people first. AFPI is led by senior leaders from the Trump Administration: Linda McMahon, Chair of the Board and former Administrator of the Small Business Administration; Larry Kudlow, Vice Chair and former Director of the National Economic Council; and Brooke Rollins, President and CEO and former Director of the Domestic Policy Council and Chief White House Strategist. Established in 2021, the AFPI team proudly includes nine former Cabinet-level officials, three former governors, and nearly 50 former senior White House and administration officials. More information about AFPI and its 21 research centers can be found at www.americafirstpolicy.com.

