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**Name:** Howard L. Fargo **Party:** Republican

**Home:** 313 1/2 Elm Street, Grove City, PA 16127

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**Birth:** April 18, 1928

**Candidate for:** State Representative **Incumbent:** Yes

**Education:** Indiana Univ. of Pennsylvania, B.S.  
Penn State University, M.ed.  
Certified Public Accountant

**Occupation:** Legislator (Special Election - June 23, 1981)  
Republican Caucus Administrator - (Elected 1989-Reelected 1991-Reelected 1993)  
Republican Caucus Chairman (Elected 1995)

**Qualifications:** Experience as Veteran (U.S. Navy), Businessman  
(started CPA firm which developed into partnership  
with 16 employees in 23 years of serving businesses  
and individuals), Public School Teacher (6 yrs.)

Legislator (13 yrs.) Community Leader, Married,  
two grown children

**Community Service:**

Methodist, Kiwanis, American Legion, Masonic Organizations,  
Pennsylvania Farmers Association, Grange, Recreation Council,  
Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Development Corporation,  
Pennsylvania and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

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**FARGO COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Special Election: 6-23-81 Oath: 7-21-81

1981-82	Agriculture & Rural Affairs Federal & State Relations Game & Fisheries
1983-84	Agriculture & Rural Affairs Game & Fisheries
1985-86	Agriculture & Rural Affairs Finance Military & Veterans Affairs <i>Legislative Audit Advisory Commission</i>
1987-88	Agriculture & Rural Affairs Finance Military & Veterans Affairs <i>Legislative Audit Advisory Commission</i>
1989-90	Minority Caucus Administrator Rules <i>Legislative Audit Advisory Commission</i>
1991-92	Minority Caucus Administrator Rules <i>Legislative Audit Advisory Commission</i>
1993-94	Minority Caucus Administrator Rules <i>Legislative Audit Advisory Commission</i>
1995-96	Majority Caucus Chairman Rules



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THE GOVERNOR

March 28, 1996

**Ms. Mary M. Foelster  
American Institute of  
Certified Public Accountants  
1455 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

**Dear Ms. Foelster:**

**It gives me great pleasure to write in support of the nomination of Howard L. Fargo as a potential recipient of the AICPA Outstanding CPA in Government Award.**

**For more than twenty years, Howard L. Fargo has demonstrated inherent qualities of leadership and expertise in his profession as a CPA. The people of Pennsylvania now benefit from these talents in Howard's role as Republican Caucus Chairman. During his tenure in the House of Representatives, he has been a valuable contributor to many committees. He is currently working with the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs and other local government organizations to amend the police pension act which will essentially "legalize" pension refunds made prior to a 1993 Commonwealth Court case. This legislation will prohibit the Auditor General from placing financially burdensome demands on municipalities.**

**In addition to his outstanding achievements as a CPA and a legislator, Howard has also served with distinction in our country's armed forces. Howard has dedicated his life to career and family, as well as public and community service. I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to work with him and know that he is well deserving of this recognition.**

**Sincerely,**

*Tom Ridge*  
**TOM RIDGE**  
Governor





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March 20, 1996

Ms. Mary M. Foelster, CPA  
Technical Manager  
Professional Standards and Services - Washington  
American Institute of Certified  
Public Accountants  
1455 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Ms. Foelster:

I write to nominate the perfect candidate for your 1996 CPA in Government Award - Pennsylvania Representative Howard L. Fargo. Howard's strengths are his leadership and his long and outstanding record of performance and devotion to his duty of representing nearly 60,000 citizens in his Legislative district in the far western part of the State.

Howard is a 15-year veteran of the House of Representatives and this session was elected by his peers to the post of Caucus Chairman. As our 4th ranking Republican, he has earned a stellar reputation as a hard-working, kind, fair and reliable colleague.

Pennsylvanians are fortunate to have a tireless worker like Howard looking out for their interests in the State Legislature. His wisdom and special talents as a certified public accountant were especially important in developing legislation affecting the world of Pennsylvania's CPAs. An example is House bill No. 1782 which sets education, examination, peer review and experience requirements for the state's CPAs. In October, Howard introduced House bill No. 2123 which amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes which abolishes joint and several liability. In addition to introducing these bills, Howard continues to share his CPA expertise as a member for 11 years and Chairman for the past 12 months of the Legislative Audit Advisory Committee.

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Howard is proud of his profession as a CPA, and I am proud that he is a part of the leadership team that sets the legislative agenda for Pennsylvania.

Always a gentleman, Howard is respected and admired by his colleagues from both sides of the aisle. In fact, his success is measured by the high regard I, and so many others have for him.

I would be pleased to answer any questions regarding this nomination.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matt Ryan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MATTHEW J. RYAN  
The Speaker

MJR:sr