

Dear Colleague,

After careful consideration and consultation with many of you, I have decided to announce my candidacy for Chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC).

This coming cycle will be challenging. We must defend vulnerable frontline members while working to expand our majority in what will almost assuredly be a difficult environment. I believe that my experiences and skill set would make me the best choice to lead the DCCC in such a time.

• <u>I conceived and ran the 5-month DCCC "Deep Dive"</u>, a top-to-bottom review of the DCCC following the 2016 campaign. Together with DCCC leadership and Chair Ben Ray Lujan, we developed and implemented dozens of recommendations across nearly every area of the DCCC. These changes helped create the organization that won the majority in 2018.

This project afforded me the opportunity to truly unpack the DCCC, including its budget, challenges, personnel structure, and national operations. Obviously Chairs Lujan and Bustos have made important changes since the Deep Dive, but this unique knowledge base will shorten the learning curve and allow me to hit the ground running immediately.

- <u>I have a proven fundraising network</u>, including strong existing relationships with major New York and national donors. This cycle I personally raised nearly \$500,000 for the DCCC, paid \$350,000 in DCCC dues, and contributed nearly \$100,000 to Frontline and Red to Blue candidates, all while running a successful reelection campaign in a district Trump won twice.
- <u>I won my first election by beating a Republican incumbent and have won reelection in a Republican-leaning</u> <u>district five times, outperforming the top of the ticket each time.</u> I did all this as a married gay man with an interracial family – the first, and until 2020 only, openly LGBTQ person ever elected to Congress in New York. My district is diverse, with rural stretches of farmland, vibrant urban centers, military bases, and suburban developments. My constituents are liberal, conservative, and everything in-between. I know what it means to develop relationships with voters across lines of difference because I do it every day. I anticipate my district will soon be redrawn, but the fact remains that my experience will allow me to better support our vulnerable members – especially our historically diverse group of frontline members – without sacrificing our shared principles.
- <u>I have a diverse professional background</u>, having served as the COO of a technology start-up and senior staff for President Bill Clinton and two Governors of New York. I have run large, complex organizations successfully and understand the innerworkings of the federal and state executive offices. The DCCC is a complicated organization that will be working with a Democratic White House for the first time in four years. Having a Chair with a developed organizational skill set and executive branch relationships will be critical.

If I am fortunate enough to be chosen to serve as DCCC Chair, I will work every day to ensure that our campaigns rise to the level of excellence our cause requires. I ask for your support.

Sean Patrick Maloney Member of Congress