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Dr. Hiral Tipirneni Endorsed by Maricopa County Supervisor Steve Gallardo

Candidate for Arizona's 8th Congressional District Reaffirms Support for Clean DREAM Act

GLENDALE, AZ – Today Dr. Hiral Tipirneni, candidate for Arizona's 8th Congressional District, was honored to accept the endorsement of Maricopa County Supervisor Steve Gallardo.

"I wholeheartedly endorse Dr. Hiral Tipirneni and am enthusiastic about her campaign," said Supervisor Steve Gallardo. "Dr. Tipirneni has spent her career taking care of families and working to cure cancer. She is an immigrant who has lived the American Dream, and knows about the hard work of so many Arizona families trying to make ends meet. And, as a big supporter of DACA, our DREAMers can trust her to fight for them in Congress!"

"I am honored to receive Supervisor Gallardo's endorsement," responded Dr. Tipirneni. "Steve's reputation as a voice for our neighborhoods and a tireless advocate for fair and equal treatment of Arizonans is inspirational."

Gallardo, a fourth generation Arizonan, currently represents the 5th district on the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. Maricopa County is the fourth largest county in the United States. Previously, he served in the Arizona legislature for 10 years and is a pillar of the West Valley community.

"In some ways DREAMers' stories are my story - I came to this country at three years old and have known no other country," said Dr. Tipirneni. "America gave my family a chance to rise and thrive. I'll fight to do the same for future generations, including a 'clean' DREAM Act," Hiral added.

In September 2017, Dr. Tipirneni issued a statement regarding Pres. Trump's rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program that said, in part:

28,000 hardworking Arizonans with no criminal records are here through no fault of their own. Kids brought to the U.S. by their parents...[who] have been productive members of our society should not be simplistically tossed aside. DACA recognized this unique segment of the undocumented population for who they are - academic stars and teammates, paramedics and teachers, small business owners, soldiers and sailors. These neighbors, friends, colleagues, and even family members are part of the future of our great nation.

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Dr. Hiral Tipirneni (HERE-uhl tipper-NEH-nee), an emergency room physician and cancer research advocate, is a candidate for Arizona's 8th Congressional District. After losing her mother and nephew to cancer, she left emergency medicine to concentrate on cutting-edge cancer research. Now she leads teams of researchers, clinicians, and patient advocates in the fight against breast cancer, prostate cancer and childhood leukemia. At the age of three, Hiral came to America from India with her family in pursuit of the American dream. Hiral and her husband met while in medical school in Ohio. They have lived in the Phoenix area, where their three children were born and raised, for more than 20 years. She is on the board of directors for the Maricopa Health Foundation.

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