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Dr. Hiral Tipirneni Far Outpaces Incumbent Debbie Lesko in 2018 2nd Quarter Federal Elections Commission Report

*Candidate for Arizona's 8th Congressional District raised more than double
and has nearly twice as much cash-on-hand*

GLENDALE, AZ – Dr. Hiral Tipirneni, an emergency room physician, cancer research advocate and candidate for Arizona's 8th Congressional District, filed her campaign's 2018 2nd Quarter Federal Elections Commission (FEC) report yesterday evening. From April 25th through the end of the filing period on June 30th, Dr. Tipirneni raised \$320,822 and reported \$300,005 cash-on-hand.

By comparison, career politician and incumbent Debbie Lesko reported \$134,000 raised and \$156,858 cash-on-hand. This continues the [AZ-08 fundraising trend noted during the recent special election](#).

"I am so incredibly thankful for the ongoing grassroots support from throughout the West Valley and even the nation," said Dr. Tipirneni. "We are thrilled to see the energy and enthusiasm from our hugely successful special election campaign pushing on into November," Hiral added.

In April, a special election was held between Dr. Tipirneni and Rep. Lesko in which Hiral closed the partisan gap by an astonishing 16 points. A special election was required to fill the vacancy created when disgraced former Congressman Trent Franks abruptly resigned in December 2017 in the wake of the #MeToo movement.

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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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