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Dr. Hiral Tipirneni Earns Endorsement of *The Arizona Republic*

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PEORIA, AZ – Dr. Hiral Tipirneni, an emergency room physician, cancer research advocate, and Democratic candidate for Arizona’s 8th Congressional District (AZ-08), has earned the endorsement of *The Arizona Republic*. This is her second endorsement from the editorial board, the first of which came during the special primary election in AZ-08 earlier this year.

“I’m so excited, honored and humbled by such an incredible endorsement,” said Dr. Tipirneni. “It truly reflects our campaign’s grassroots strength, as well as the unyielding enthusiasm and boundless energy of our supporters, who know it’s time for a change in Washington,” Hiral added.

In the [Republic’s endorsement](#), Dr. Tipirneni is described as “a problem-solver in a world overstocked with pundits and powerbrokers,” “a leader of consequence,” and “pitch-perfect for the times.” *The Republic* also wrote:

“But the virtuoso of the 2018 Arizona election is a good-natured emergency-room physician on the Valley’s west side whose skills on the state hustings are unmatched.

To some of us...she seems the strongest candidate we’ve witnessed in two decades.”

A [recent survey](#) of AZ-08 voters showed that since an August 2018 baseline survey, **Tipirneni has closed a 9-point deficit, putting her within the margin of error**, and is poised to flip this congressional seat.

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 result described as “a warning shot” by Republican Senator Jeff Flake. *The Republic* called this result “an extraordinary personal achievement,” writing that “a political neophyte had just done the impossible.” 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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