

# **NARAL Pro-Choice America Endorses Hiral Tipirneni for Congress**

*Candidate for Arizona's 6th Congressional District Earns Endorsement from Nation's Leading Pro-Choice Advocacy Group*

NARAL Pro-Choice America today announced its endorsement of Dr. Hiral Tipirneni in her campaign to represent Arizona's 6th Congressional District, a seat currently held by anti-choice Republican David Schweikert.

**"NARAL is proud to endorse Dr. Hiral Tipirneni and we look forward to sending another strong voice for women and families to Congress,"** said Ilyse Hogue, President of NARAL Pro-Choice America. **"As someone who has dedicated her career to serving her patients, Dr. Tipirneni deeply understands that everyone should be able to make their own decisions, free from political interference. Dr. Tipirneni is the representative Arizonians need to stand firm against anti-choice extremists."**

**"I am humbled to have once again earned the endorsement of NARAL. As a former emergency room physician, I have seen firsthand how important it is for women to have access to quality, affordable healthcare,"** said Dr. Tipirneni. **"I'm honored to stand alongside NARAL in ensuring that every woman has autonomy over her own body and has access to quality, affordable, reproductive healthcare."**

Dr. Tipirneni is an emergency room physician, cancer research advocate, and member of the Board of Directors of the Maricopa Health Foundation. As a doctor, Dr. Tipirneni understands the importance of evidence-based, safe reproductive healthcare, including access to abortion and contraception.

Dr. Tipirneni is seeking to flip the seat currently held by extreme anti-choice incumbent David Schweikert, who has consistently earned a 0% score from NARAL in the *Congressional Record on Choice*. NARAL also endorsed Dr. Tipirneni in her 2018 bid for Congress.

As part of its work to pass proactive legislation to safeguard reproductive freedom, defend against rollbacks of reproductive rights, and elect more pro-choice champions in state and federal elections, NARAL Pro-Choice America is expanding organizing and electoral efforts in the Southwest, including hiring staff in Arizona, led by Southwest Regional Director Caroline Mello Roberson.

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*NARAL Pro-Choice America and its network of state affiliates and chapters are dedicated to protecting and expanding reproductive freedom for all. For more than 50 years, NARAL has worked to guarantee that every woman has the right to make personal decisions regarding the full range of reproductive choices, including preventing unintended pregnancy, bearing healthy children, and choosing legal abortion. Since 1969, NARAL has made history, grown to over 2.5 million members, and met the moments that have defined this fight with action, power and freedom. In*

*recognition of its work defending our constitutional right to choose, Fortune Magazine described NARAL as "one of the top 10 advocacy groups in America."*