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## **Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Democratic Candidate to Unseat Greg Walden, Coming to The Dalles**

*Oregon Democrats to unite around Jamie McLeod-Skinner's campaign for Oregon's 2nd Congressional District with a public fundraiser—Tuesday, June 19, at Clock Tower Ales in The Dalles.*

**The Dalles, Ore.**, June 15, 2018—Jamie McLeod-Skinner—the Democratic nominee who is working to replace Greg Walden in the U.S. House of Representatives—is coming to The Dalles on Tuesday, June 19, for a public event at Clock Tower Ales. All six of her former Democratic opponents have united behind McLeod-Skinner and, in a show of unity, two will join her on stage, Raz Mason and Michael Byrne. Other speakers will include newly elected Wasco County Commissioner Kathy Schwartz and State Senate candidate Solea Kabakov.

“We want to talk with voters in the Gorge about our shared goal of working together to address the needs of our communities and to bring those shared Oregon values to Washington D.C.,” McLeod-Skinner said. “I’m talking about ensuring people have healthcare, our kids have educational opportunities, our promises are kept to our veterans. We need to stop tearing apart families, protect our farmers from tariff wars, stimulate economic development through investing in infrastructure, and be good stewards for our resources.”

Rep. Walden’s attacks on the Affordable Care Act make it clear that he values his pharmaceutical and health industry donors over his constituents who will lose health insurance. Walden’s championing of the corporate tax cut showed his commitment to out-of-state corporations and wealthy Americans over the hardworking Oregonians who could lose social security and basic services. Walden’s attack on a free and open internet shows his loyalty to telecommunications companies over internet users and students in his district.

McLeod-Skinner emerged from a crowded field of seven Democratic candidates to win her party’s nomination in last month’s primary election—winning 42 percent of the votes, 18 percent ahead of the runner-up. For the past year, McLeod-Skinner has crisscrossed the district with her dog in her teardrop trailer, listening to voters and talking with them about their concerns.

Jamie McLeod-Skinner is running for Congress because people are hurting, and Rep. Walden has forgotten where he came from. His focus has shifted from the needs of Oregonians to the interests of his corporate donors. In contrast, her priorities include housing, health care, education, public lands, and economic development for our district. McLeod-Skinner lives in Terrebonne, and her roots run deep in the district—with family in Central, Eastern, and Southern Oregon.