# Memo: Our First Month

To: Supporters and Friends

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#### **Our First Month:**

One month ago today we launched our campaign for Governor with this <u>announcement video</u>. Dan knows that too many families are being left out and left behind. Personal budgets are getting harder and harder to balance. Under this Governor, property taxes, health care costs, and electric rates continue to rise while taxes for big corporations are going down -- we need to reverse that.

The video highlighted how Dan has a very different perspective than our current Governor. His dad wasn't Governor, his brother wasn't a U.S. Senator. His dad worked for almost 45 years in the same unairconditioned furniture factory, and his mom worked multiple part-time jobs to make ends meet. Dan grew up knowing what it was like to stretch a dollar and his folks instilled in him the values of hard work, honesty and the belief that we're all in this together.

He took those same values with him to New Hampshire Legal Assistance where he worked as a legal aid attorney representing low-middle income Granite State families, seniors, veterans, and victims of domestic violence for almost a decade. For him, practicing law meant that he could help working families. People like his parents, who oftentimes didn't have anyone in their corner. However, at New Hampshire Legal Assistance it became clear that many of our state's laws weren't written with working families in mind so he ran for the State Senate.

In the Senate, he accomplished a lot -- expanding access to health care to 50,000 Granite Staters, protecting pre-existing conditions, and establishing some of the toughest drinking water standards in the country. But too often they hit the same roadblock -- Chris Sununu.

That's why we're out on the campaign trail every day working to make meaningful, inclusive progress on the issues we all care about. We've received an outpouring of support since announcing our campaign a month ago (read more about that below). We've got a long round ahead of us, but will all of you by our side, we can win this!

#### The Numbers:

❖ \$250,000: We've already raised over \$250,000.00, we have events coming up all around the state, and we're just getting started!

- ❖ 1,200: We've received over 1,200 contributions from supporters! Hundreds of Granite Staters from all across New Hampshire are chipping in \$5, \$10, \$15 to help elect Dan the next Governor of New Hampshire!
- ❖ 15: We've jumped right into the campaign, attending or hosting 15 campaign events so far (all while Dan also helped negotiate the state budget compromise!). We're going to be competing for votes EVERYWHERE so regardless of where you live, we'll be at an event near you soon!
- ♦ 6: We've received the endorsements of 6 State Senators so far!
- ❖ 2: We've received the endorsement of 2 labor unions so far!

## **Endorsements:**

We've been so thrilled with the support we've received so far!

We've received the support of six State Senators including Senator Shannon Chandley (D - Amherst), Senator Martha Hennessey (D - Hanover), Senator Melanie Levesque (D - Brookline), Senator Cindy Rosenwald (D - Nashua), Senator Tom Sherman (D - Rye), and Senator David Watters (D - Dover). We've also received the endorsement from Teamsters Local 633 and the New England Carpenters Union affiliate Interior Systems 352. Working women and men drive our economy, not large corporations, we're so honored to have their support. We've also received the endorsements of 2016 gubernatorial nominee Colin Van Ostern, clean water leader Mindi Messmer and clean energy leader Dan Weeks -- their leadership on these key issues is so critical to our future.

As we've traveled around New Hampshire, there's been hundreds of folks joining the campaign and giving us words of encouragement -- thank you! We're excited to earn and announce more supporters in the coming weeks!

### **News Round-Up**

9/3/19, WMUR: <u>Promising to Put Working-Class Families First, Democrat Dan Feltes</u> Announces Run for Governor

9/3/19, NHPR/AP: Democrat Dan Feltes Announces Run for Governor

9/4/19, Union Leader: Granite Status: Feltes Draws Sununu Fire

9/5/19, WMUR: <u>Hennessey Becomes Second State Sena</u>tor to Endorse Feltes for Governor

9/6/19, Keene Sentinel: Challengers Line Up as Sununu, Shaheen Look to Re-Election

9/10/19, Keene Sentinel: Paul Berch: I'm Backing Feltes for Governor

9/12/19, WMUR: <u>Senator Levesque</u>, <u>Three House Members Sign on with Democratic Candidate for Governor</u>

9/16/19, WMUR: Rosenwald Becomes Fourth NH Senate Democrat to Back Feltes for Governor

9/16/19, WMUR: Teamsters Local 633 Endorses State Senator Dan Feltes for Governor

9/23/19, Seacoast Online: Sherman Backs Feltes for Governor

9/26/19, WMUR: Carpenters Give Feltes His Second Union Endorsement of Gubernatorial

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9/30/19, Concord Monitor: <u>Our Turn: Budget Compromise Preserves Democratic Priorities</u> 9/30/19, WMUR: <u>Amherst's Chandley Becomes Sixth State Senator to Endorse Feltes for Governor</u>