

Press Release: Bill O'Brien for Senate

I joined the race for the Republican nomination some months ago and once again, as when I ran for Speaker in 2010, have enjoyed meeting and talking with Republican activists and voters across the state. It has been a great experience and a privilege to have so many listen to our message and provide their support.

Unfortunately, it has become apparent to me that my campaign is not going to be sufficiently financed to take on an incumbent who is as well-financed by millions of dollars in national PACs and special interest money as is Jeanne Shaheen. As a consequence, I am suspending my campaign.

More important for New Hampshire is not whether I am nominated, but whether Republicans can put forward a nominee who is much more in the mainstream of New Hampshire voters than the truly radical Jeanne Shaheen. We need someone who does not promote, as does Jeanne Shaheen, the Left's fiscal irresponsibility, climate fictions, disregard for life, open borders, voter frauds, and authoritarian instincts. We truly need for Jeanne Shaheen to be replaced and New Hampshire Republicans have to nominate a strong candidate who can do just that.

That goal of offering New Hampshire a mainstream alternative to Jeanne Shaheen is important to me, as it is for all New Hampshire Republicans. As I campaigned, I have become aware that a fellow candidate, Corky Messner, not only can be, but should be, that alternative.

I have listened to Corky as he too reached out to voters. I have met with him and become his friend. Corky is the replacement we are seeking. I am therefore proud to endorse him as the Republican nominee for U.S. Senate in 2020.

I hope to be able to support Corky in his campaign. I will still remain active in New Hampshire politics as a co-chair of the Center Right Coalition sponsoring bi-monthly meetings of Republican, conservative and libertarian activists in New Hampshire. I also will run for state representative this upcoming November so that I can continue to serve the state that I so love.

For all those who supported my campaign, I will forever be grateful and ask that you also get to know Corky. For New Hampshire Republicans, I ask that you please choose the candidate who can and should be our next U.S. Senator, Corky Messner.

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