

# Send a strong, independent voice to Congress – yours

## For the first time in a lifetime,

Democratic voters in this District have a real chance to elect one of their own to Congress: Christine Cegelis. More than 110,000 voters cast their ballots for Christine in 2004 against Henry Hyde, nearly toppling that powerful 30-year Republican incumbent. For Democrats, this is our year to take back that seat. And Christine Cegelis is our candidate.

## Cegelis knows the people and issues

better than anyone. She's met face-to-face with thousands of constituents. She's lived here for more than 20 years, raised a family, and built a business here. She's knocked on doors, attended community events, visited senior centers, schools, union halls, and businesses. That's why outside political interests, PACs, and lobbyists are spending a fortune to defeat her.

## A vote for Cegelis is a vote for you.

You can decide what you want the Democratic Party to stand for. A party that dictates candidates from outside the District? Or one that fights for issues that matter to you? Christine will work for: affordable, accessible health care for all Americans, policies that protect and create jobs, budgets that expand education funding and student loans, and an end to the Iraq war.

*“Your election would give the residents of the Sixth District strong and capable leadership, while at the same time demonstrating that others cannot dictate your district's choice for Congress.”*  
**Illinois Committee for Honest Government**

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*You deserve real representation and honest answers. You'll get that from Christine Cegelis.*

# *Christine Cegelis: Your Democratic candidate for Congress*

“I’m running for Congress because the federal government is making decisions that are hurting millions of average, hard-working Americans – just like you and me. That has to stop.

“I’ve spent the last two years talking to people all over this District. On front porches, in schools and libraries, at union halls, train stations, and grocery stores, I’ve heard what you expect from your government and what you want me to do in Congress.



“While I’m honored to have the endorsement of national groups, the most important support I have is local. Local unions like the IAM. Local elected officials. And local voters. I am honored that more than 110,000 people entrusted me with their votes in 2004, and we almost beat Henry Hyde. In this campaign, more than 2,000 volunteers and small donors—your friends and neighbors—are working hard for what we all believe in.

“I’m asking for your vote so I can represent you in Washington. Your hopes. Your American dreams.”

*Christine Cegelis,  
Democratic candidate for Congress*

*“We’re tired of middle-of-the-road, get-along political decision-making in Washington. We need people who understand what’s happening to working families, and who have the courage and the ideas to change that. Christine is one of those people.”*

*International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers*

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# *Christine Cegelis will represent you!*



## *Reclaim your voice in Congress!*

For too long, people with political power and money have controlled our government. They've ignored the voices, concerns, and hopes of everyday citizens: affordable, accessible health care, creating good jobs, increased funding for education, and an end to the Iraq war.

Christine Cegelis has been working to advance these issues. Now, with support from local elected leaders, local unions like the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, and thousands of local volunteers and contributors, we can reclaim our Congressional seat and let our voices be heard in Washington.

"I'm proud to have been part of this community for over 20 years. I know what the voters of this District want and need, and I have the experience, strength, and commitment to represent them."

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*On Tuesday, March 21, reclaim your voice in Congress!*



*I'm supporting Democrat Christine Cegelis  
for Congress. Here's why I hope you'll join me.*

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# Christine Cegelis

*Democratic Candidate for Illinois District 6*

*Dear Neighbor,*

***Reclaiming The American Dream:***

**Economy:** Stop the out-sourcing of American jobs by encouraging small business growth and eliminating unfair free trade agreements.

Reduce the national debt and balance the budget by bringing fiscal responsibility back to our government.

**Foreign Policy:** Implement a realistic and safe exit strategy for Iraq before more American lives are lost.

**Education:** Increase accessibility and affordability of higher education by expanding income tax credits and increasing Pell grants.

**Health Care:** Amend the Medicare prescription drug benefit by eliminating the coverage gap and reducing the price of prescription drugs.

**Energy:** Reduce our dependency on foreign oil and invest in alternative and renewable energy.

***Citizen Candidate:***

*A long-time resident of Rolling Meadows, Christine Cegelis lives and works in Illinois' 6th Congressional District. She holds a degree in International Relations and Public Administration, and is a successful small-business owner, IT consultant, and a single mother of two college-age sons. In 2004, she earned an unprecedented 44.2% of the vote against 30-year Republican incumbent Rep. Henry Hyde. Christine Cegelis enters the 2006 race for Congress as the candidate with momentum and has been traveling the district for the last two years listening to the issues and concerns of local residents.*

My name is Christine Cegelis and I'm running for Congress. I believe it's time for change.

My two sons don't seem to have the same opportunities I did at their age. I worked my way through college with a minimum wage job. That's not possible today. The future they see is less promising than the one my generation saw. They look forward to a future where jobs are outsourced to other countries, to an economy based on service jobs and low wages. They look forward and don't see the opportunities that America has always offered to those willing to work hard and play by the rules. They don't see the promise of the American dream.

That's why I entered this race – to reclaim that promise for my sons, for my neighbors' sons, for all of us. The decisions made in Washington can open doors of opportunity or close them. The current leadership's decisions are closing those doors. Whether it's bankruptcy reform that allows no protection from the economic devastation of a medical tragedy, or economic policies that provide tax breaks to companies that outsource jobs, the end result is the same – less opportunity for hard-working Americans.

Today, we face out-of-control deficits, spiraling education costs, narrowing job opportunities, and the challenge of protecting our country from both human and natural threats. Our congressional leaders are more interested in promoting their conservative ideology than promoting policies that support hard working Americans. I believe it's time for a change. Together, we can make a difference. I hope you'll join me as I work to make that change happen.

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