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ADAM SLATE LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN FOR CONGRESS IN VIRGINIA'S 5TH DISTRICT

Candidate Cites Need to Represent All Constituents, Focus on Issues Affecting Working Families

Charlottesville, VA - May 26, 2017 - Adam Slate, a 30-year resident of Central Virginia, announced his candidacy today to run for the United States House of Representatives in Virginia's 5th Congressional district.

Slate has been traveling Virginia's largest Congressional district listening to people's concerns on a range of issues including the economy, a living wage, rural infrastructure development, and the impact of the House Republican health care bill. Over the past two months he has visited nearly all of its 23 counties and cities--including six trips to Southside Virginia--and is committed to being present throughout the entire district during the campaign and as the district's Representative in Congress.

Slate has emphasized the importance of listening to all constituents, pointing to several recent town hall events in which the incumbent Representative has either not attended or tightly scripted the event to control the discussion. Slate, a Democrat, plans to reach out across the political spectrum, particularly to faith groups, which he believes can provide a moral focus and help promote thoughtful policy discussion as well as a more productive and respectful public dialogue.

"We need to stay focused on the key issues affecting the 5th District and the nation," said Slate. "Those are: creating and retaining jobs in a rapidly-changing economy, paying workers fairly for their work, and making sure our health care and educational systems support people rather than pass them by."

Adam Slate was raised in New Jersey and came to Virginia in 1982 to attend the University of Virginia, where he earned undergraduate and master's degrees. He works in finance at the University of Virginia Health System and serves as a board member and incoming president of his congregation. He and his wife Kim have four children.

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