

# Congressman Warren Davidson

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Fellow Patriots,

I have decided to seek re-election for the United States House of Representatives. Ohio has one terrible Senator right now and the prospect of retiring him and flipping control of the Senate to Republicans has held my attention for years. Toward that objective, I have built an amazing political team and strong allies with the funding to win any race. My wife Lisa has enthusiastically encouraged these efforts. Faced with an incredible opportunity to defeat Sherrod Brown, I remain truly tempted to launch a campaign for Senate.

To be sure, one of the top frustrations for the House is having a weak Senate that consistently fails us on spending, on process, on confirmations, and on a sense of urgency to change the broken status quo – especially when led by Democrats. As Chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, Sherrod Brown hasn't moved a single bill on any subject through his committee. In fact, nothing has passed through Senate Banking since December 5, 2017. Meanwhile, the House passed bipartisan solutions to a host of issues, only to be ignored by the Senate. The prospect of changing the status quo there is immensely appealing. So, why not?

I heard from friends who won and now serve in the Senate, and from friends who did not: "Just make sure you are done being in the House, because whether you win or lose, you will no longer be in the House." Despite many frustrations inherent to the political environment today, I love what I am doing right now.

Running for Senate would effectively take me out of the fight in the House for 1.5 years to spend the vast majority of my time raising money. Although time spent with constituents in Ohio is the truest joy of the work, a very narrow majority in the House of Representatives means my vote will be essential on any bill that breaks on party lines – important issues. This would inevitably leave far less time than I would like to travel around Ohio meeting with people, hearing their perspectives, and explaining my views, values, and objectives in the office.

Alternatively, I can continue building momentum in the House. I love working with the team we have built to serve Ohio's 8<sup>th</sup> District. Together we have done some great things for and with our constituents. I have been elevated ahead of my peers in the House Financial Services Committee, serving as Chairman of Housing and Insurance. We have had early success with efforts to reform the House Foreign Affairs Committee – both in process and priorities. Lastly, staying focused on the House keeps me engaged in the substantive reforms that have built our narrow House majority and have thus far made it effective.

We are truly in a battle to save our country. With opposition in every direction there in DC, it's an honor to remain in the fight. I am confident that Ohio's voters are onto Sherrod Brown and will send him home. I shall always wonder if it would have been me, but it won't. Instead, I will continue to defend freedom from Ohio's 8<sup>th</sup> District and seek re-election in 2024.

Blessings,



Warren Davidson