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Brand New Congress endorses Amy Vilela for Congress

LAS VEGAS—On Tuesday morning, Brand New Congress announced their 2022 endorsement of Amy Vilela, candidate Nevada’s 1st Congressional District. Vilela was previously endorsed by the organization in 2018.

“Brand New Congress has been on the frontlines of the progressive movement every election cycle,” **Vilela stated.** “For far too long, the working-class people of Las Vegas have been suffering while establishment politicians in Washington D.C. are more interested in upholding a status quo that doesn’t work for us. I am refusing corporate donations because I do not believe that corporate compromised politicians are able to be truly effective activists for the people. With organizations like Brand New Congress at my side, I know that we’ll be able not just to win, but deliver true change for the everyday people of Las Vegas.”

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Amy Vilela grew up in poverty, relying on programs like WIC and SNAP in order to make ends meet as a single-mother. She took classes at night while working multiple jobs to become the first in her family to earn a degree. She became a national advocate for Medicare for All after her daughter Shalynne died at the hands of our nation’s profit-driven healthcare system. After working her way up to become a CFO, Amy has since retooled her professional experience to provide vital campaign services to other progressive candidates. In 2020, serving as a State Co-chair, Amy led the charge for Bernie Sanders’ landslide victory in the Nevada caucuses.

Amy and her family first moved to Nevada when her husband, Major David Vilela, was transferred to Creech Air Force Base. If elected, she would be the first ever active duty military spouse to serve in Congress.



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