



Dear Friends,

March is Women's History Month and we just celebrated International Women's Day. But women's numbers in Congress are nothing to celebrate. Only 18% of our U.S. Congress is Women. How can it be that in the 21st Century, women are a staggeringly low number of our representatives in the United State of America?

We rank 78th in the world. Unacceptable. We are America, we are the leader of the free world and yet when it comes to electing women we are *behind 77 other countries in the world*. And there is just one reason for it--MONEY.

Big Money is a big KEEP OUT sign to women on the door of Congress. Is That OK with you? Do you want big money to control our lives and our politics and tell women to wait their turn for a few more centuries?

[Can I count on you to contribute right now and break down that door?](#)

Your contribution matters. You matter. Please help me in this fight for women and equality. **[Please contribute \\$25, \\$50, \\$100, \\$300, or \\$500 today and send a woman to Congress from this district for the first time in history.](#)**

I am facing an onslaught of money--one of my opponents gets half of his money from PACs and the other gets most of his money from Wall Street hedge funds, K Street and the like. Without your help my ideas and solutions and record of dedication to women's rights will get pummeled by money. [**We need your help right now. Please click here to make your strongest possible contribution.**](#)

The pundits care only about who has the most money. They don't care who has won national and state awards for their volunteer work on women's and human rights (me). They don't care who has worked wit and helped the most small businesses, many owned by women (me). They don't care who has spent the most volunteer time advancing pay equity (me). They care only about the money.

The big money candidates get more press, which garners them more money, which gets them more press. **It is a vicious cycle that only you can break. Unless you take action, nothing changes...big money will continue to throw that Keep Out sign in women's faces.**

It's like my mom used to tell my 5 siblings and me...everybody thought somebody was going to do it but nobody did it so nothing got done. [**We need you to be the somebody who takes action today! Can I count on you to show that women will not be kept out any longer?**](#)

My deepest gratitude,



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P.S. Since our U.S. Congress convened on March 4, 1789, 12,106 people have gone to Congress--only 2.4% have been women. 2.4% in our entire history. Let's do better.



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