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State Rep Candidate Biss Outraises Opponent for Third Consecutive Reporting Period

Skokie, IL - Democrat Daniel Biss today announced that not only did his campaign's fundraising keep pace with his Republican opponent Elizabeth Coulson, but that he also outraised her by more than \$50,000 - \$133,735.72 to \$83,385.00 since the close of the last reporting period in December 2007 - according to the semiannual reports filed with the Illinois Board of Elections.

"The men and women of the 17th District have taken a stand against complacency by joining our grassroots campaign for change," Biss said. "For the third time in a row we have been able to outraise my opponent despite her long standing alliances with special interests and political insiders. Our success is possible because of the people-powered movement we are building."

The reports from the first half of 2008 shows Biss outperformed Coulson by 60 percent in total money raised, more than two-to-one in money raised from individual receipts, more than three-to-one in money raised from within the 17th District, and more than two-to-one in money raised in low dollar contributions.

Coulson did outperform Biss when it came to PAC contributions - nearly one-third of Coulson's money came from Political Action Committees compared to Biss's ten percent.

"To change the failed political culture in Springfield we must go to the source - money and influence. While my opponent talks about campaign finance reform, we are doing it, accomplishing more for the cause of transparency and accountability in the last 15 months than she has accomplished in her 12 years in Springfield.

"We outperform the Republican candidate by virtually every criterion and our fundraising is just one indicator of what can happen when individuals join together to take on entrenched special interests. As State Representative, I will take my supporters' fight to Springfield. I will fight for comprehensive education reform, for quality, affordable health care, for cleaning up Illinois's environment, and for getting the state's budgetary house in order."

For more information about Daniel Biss or his campaign for State Representative, please visit www.DanielBiss.com.

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