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**Statement from David Cavell on his decision to suspend his campaign for the Fourth Congressional District**

I want to express my unending gratitude to my supporters -- and the best group of campaign staff anyone has ever had -- who poured their hearts and passion into this campaign. Getting to know so many people and families in our District, hearing their stories and working on the issues that matter to them, particularly at a moment of crisis for our country, has been an absolute privilege. Representing them in Congress would have been the honor of a lifetime. But as ballots across the 4th District are being filled out, I have decided to put principles and people above politics.

There are many strong candidates to represent the people of the Fourth District. Unfortunately, there is one candidate in this race who I believe has proven himself unfit to represent this District. In a crowded field without ranked-choice voting, I refuse to make it more likely that the people of our District, particularly Black and brown people, will be represented by someone we cannot trust. This is a moment when all of us must put the best interests of the country and the critical work of progressive, intersectional change before personal politics.

Therefore, I will be working with and voting for my friend Jesse Mermell, a passionate fighter for progressive values and working people of every race and background.

For decades, the U.S. Congress and this country has looked to the Fourth District of Massachusetts, in good times and bad, for a national leader on reproductive rights, the opioid epidemic, the climate crisis, and so many other critical issues. I hope that by withdrawing from the race, I can help ensure that this proud tradition continues at this critical time for our country.

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