



From the earliest New England town meetings in the 1600s to FDR's fireside chats and even the famous 1992 town hall debate moment that reshaped presidential politics, one truth has held steady: democracy works best when leaders show up, listen, and answer directly to the people they represent.

Town halls, whether in a school gym, a church basement, or now on Zoom, are more than meetings. They're a symbol of accountability, accessibility, and respect.

Unfortunately, our current representative, Mary Miller, doesn't see it that way. She has never hosted a public town hall in our district. Time and again, community groups have invited her, even reserving a chair for her to speak, and she simply doesn't show up. At best, her staff offers office hours, but that's not the same as standing before the people you represent and answering tough questions.

And people notice when a representative won't face her own community. It says everything about her priorities.

**Our district deserves better than an empty chair.**

Since launching this campaign in January, I've taken a different path. My Listening Tour has already brought me to more than 65% of the 35 counties in IL-15. I've sat down with farmers, veterans, educators, small business owners, and families who just want a fair chance at a better life.

And, to ensure that everyone in the district has a chance to share their thoughts and concerns, we've created Coffee and Conversations (with one scheduled for this Saturday at 10:00 AM) via Zoom. This way, no matter where you live in the district, your voice can be heard. Because representation should never depend on geography or convenience, it's about making space for everyone.

I'm running for Congress to restore accountability, put people ahead of politics, and make sure our district has a representative who shows up.

With your support, we can prove that listening, respect, and hard work are still the foundation of public service and the way of life in Central Illinois.

Thank you for being part of this movement. Together, we're building something real.

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