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Kirsten Engel Releases Statement on Near-Government Shutdown

TUCSON — Today, after Congress avoided a government shutdown, Democratic congressional candidate Kirsten Engel released the following statement:

“I’m glad Congress came to a consensus and passed a continuing resolution to keep our government working, but let’s be perfectly clear — this is a temporary fix that did not have to come to this point. After weeks of infighting, House Republicans jeopardized the safety and security of Arizona’s veterans, seniors, women, children, and hardworking families.

“When it mattered most, my opponent Juan Ciscomani worked with extremists to tuck anti-abortion measures into unrelated funding bills that members of his own party didn’t even support. He voted to slash funding for law enforcement officials, teachers, small businesses, wildfire prevention, and infrastructure projects. He continues to push his party’s extremist agenda by punishing working families and stripping our rights and freedoms.

“When Juan Ciscomani shows you who he is, believe him. Enough is enough. We deserve better, and next November we’ll fire him for putting politics over American people.”

Ciscomani wasn’t afraid to send the government crashing over [measures](#) that would restrict access to abortion. Engel recently detailed the devastating effects of a potential government shutdown in a [recent op-ed and](#) called for common-sense leadership.

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