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Press Release

Iraq War veteran, Ryan Solen, to run for Congress in 1st District

MOUNT PLEASANT – Iraq War veteran and former Army Officer, Ryan Solen, of Mount Pleasant has filed papers and officially declared that he is a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District.

Solen spent eight years as an active duty Army soldier, working as a Medical Services Corps officer, and achieving the rank of Captain. In 2015, he was elected to serve as the Democratic Party of Wisconsin Veteran's Caucus secretary and treasurer.

"I'm running for Congress because there is far too much partisan gridlock and dysfunction in Washington. How can we expect to fix the issues that face our country when we can't get our current leadership past arguments made solely for the sake of partisanship? We will only succeed if we are one indivisible nation," said Solen on Tuesday. "As President Kennedy said, we shouldn't be seeking the Republican answer or the Democrat answer. We should be seeking the right answer."

Ryan Solen's campaign is focused on improving the lives of hard-working families through improving access to affordable health care, and simplifying the tax code. "I will always make it my priority to represent the best interests of the people," concluded Solen.

Solen made Wisconsin his home in 2000 when he moved to the Badger State to attend the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee where he earned a BBA in Management Information Systems. In addition, Solen holds a Master's degree in International Relations.

Solen currently lives in Mount Pleasant with his wife Melissa and their four children.

Find out more about Ryan Solen at www.SolenForCongress.com.