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PODER PAC ENDORSES LETICIA GUTIERREZ FOR CONGRESS IN TX-09

The only national political action committee solely dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic Latinas to Congress, PODER PAC is the latest group to endorse Leticia Gutierrez's campaign.

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, PODER PAC, the first and only political action committee founded by and for Latinas to elect pro-choice, Democratic Latinas to Congress, is announcing the endorsement of Leticia Gutierrez for Texas's 9th Congressional District.

"Leticia Gutierrez's dedication to Houston's East End and Ship Channel communities, along with her advocacy for cleaner air, safer neighborhoods, and working families, makes her a powerful voice for TX-09. We are excited to see her bring her experience and commitment to public service to Congress," **said Ingrid Duran, PODER PAC Board Chair.**

"As an immigrant, a single mother, and a longtime community advocate, Leticia Gutierrez understands the challenges families face and the importance of ensuring every community has a voice. Her commitment to Latino representation, reproductive freedom, and economic opportunity reflects the leadership we need in Congress. We are proud to support Leticia and look forward to seeing her represent TX-09," **said Catherine Pino, PODER PAC Board Member.**

"As a proud Latina, I couldn't be more honored by PODER PAC's support and trust in me to fight for Latinas in the Texas 9th district! Our opponents are afraid because they know when Latina women fight together, we win. They're terrified because Latina women can do it all and they can have it all. They are terrified because they told us our voices didn't matter. Redrew the maps. Made life unaffordable. And we still aren't backing down. We are rolling up our sleeves and fighting back. MAGA Mealer, Trump, and his Corporate Billionaires in D.C. are about to witness real Latina power, and they aren't ready for what is coming. We are going to win, and we are going to win as proud Latinas. ¡Vamos con todo!" **said Leticia Gutierrez, candidate for U.S. Congress TX-09.**



PODER PAC fuels innovative candidates who are determined to change the current political landscape and the institutions that govern us. Our empowered Latina candidates demonstrate a commitment to our Latino community and the inequities we face every day.

PODER PAC is the latest endorser to throw their support behind Leticia Gutierrez, joining CHC BOLD PAC, Texas AFL-CIO, Rep. Sylvia Garcia, Rep. Al Green, Rep. Lizzie Fletcher, and Rep. Christian Menefee.

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About PODER PAC

Founded in 2008, PODER PAC is the only national political action committee solely dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic Latinas to Congress. An organization by Latinas and for Latinas, PODER PAC works to recruit, support, and connect pro-choice Democratic Latinas running for Congress.

About Leticia Gutierrez

Leticia Gutierrez is the Democratic nominee for Texas's 9th Congressional District, an immigrant, a mother of two and a longtime advocate for Houston's East End and Ship Channel communities. Raised by parents who worked as farm laborers, she learned early the importance of faith, family and service.

A Milby High School graduate, Gutierrez earned a BA in International Finance and Economics with honors from the University of St. Thomas. She raised her children as a single mother; her oldest son now serves in the U.S. Army.

Her son's childhood asthma helped inspire her work in environmental health. At Air Alliance Houston, she has worked in community outreach and government relations, connecting residents with public officials and advocating for cleaner air and safer neighborhoods. Her experience also includes serving as a Houston City Council Chief of Staff, membership on the Mayor's Keep Houston Clean Commission, and student resource volunteering at Milby and Chavez High Schools. She was a Rice University Community Fellow in 2021.

Gutierrez won the six-candidate Democratic congressional primary outright in March 2026. She is running to lower everyday costs, protect Social Security and Medicare, defend reproductive freedom, strengthen public schools and support good union jobs. Her priorities also include flood protection, reliable infrastructure and accountability for industrial pollution.

She brings experience working with residents, government agencies and community organizations to a campaign focused on practical results. Gutierrez seeks to represent the people of eastern Harris and Liberty counties with accessible public service and a sustained commitment to the communities that shaped her.