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PODER PAC Endorses Reproductive Rights Champion Emily Randall, Candidate for U.S. Congress WA-06

The only national political action committee solely dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic Latinas to Congress, PODER PAC is the latest group to endorse Emily Randall for Congress.

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 proud to announce our endorsement of Emily Randall for U.S. Congress.

“Emily is the right candidate to protect this seat and give Washingtonians the representation they deserve,” **said Ingrid Duran, PODER PAC Board Chair.** “PODER PAC enthusiastically stands with Emily and looks forward to having the first ever out LGBTQ Latina in Congress.”

“As Deputy Majority Leader in the Washington Legislature, Emily has fought to protect abortion access, cut costs for working families, and expand access to education. Her track record speaks for itself,” **said Catherine Pino, PODER PAC Board Member.** “Emily is the clear choice for the district.”

“As a queer Latina and former Planned Parenthood fundraiser, it is an honor to have PODER PAC’s support. When I first ran for office, I was constantly told I was “*too much*” — but organizations like PODER PAC understand that our country’s diversity is our greatest strength. Like my parents, I grew up in a union household in Washington’s 6th District. My neighbors’ stories are my stories, and I have spent my career fighting for common-sense solutions to improve everyday life in my community,” **said Emily Randall, candidate for U.S. Congress WA-06.** “With the support of PODER PAC, I look forward to making history as the first queer Latina elected to Congress and continuing to fight for the community I’m proud to call home.”

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 everyday.

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. Since our founding, PODER PAC has supported over 70 Latinas running for elected office.

About Emily Randall

Emily is a third generation Washingtonian, born and raised in Port Orchard and Deputy Majority Leader in the State Senate running to represent Washington's 6th congressional district.

Emily was raised in a proud union household by her dad who worked at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and her mom, an educator at South Kitsap High School.

Emily's passion to help those around her is rooted in her upbringing. As the oldest of three, she saw firsthand the positive impact government could have when her youngest sister Olivia, who was born with complex medical needs, was able to get the care she needed thanks to Washington state's Medicaid expansion. While her family didn't have it easy, the early intervention programs they were able to access helped improve Olivia's quality of life without bankrupting the family. Emily did her part as the oldest sibling to protect her sister from bullies and help her navigate the world—it's at the core of Emily's determination to help the most vulnerable among us.

Emily became the first in her family to graduate college thanks to financial aid and working in retail and waiting tables to pay her expenses. Committed to give back, Emily worked for various non-profits to help expand access to higher education as well as affordable health care. In 2016 she went to work for Planned Parenthood with a mission of helping women access health care, including abortion care.

Emily lives in Bremerton with her wife Alison and their dogs Frida and Ricky Martina.