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COTTIE PETRIE-NORRIS OUTPACES MATT HARPER IN FUNDRAISING BY A MARGIN OF THREE TO ONE

Petrie-Norris becomes ONLY Assembly challenger to lead incumbent in cash on hand in California

Irvine, CA – Reports filed yesterday with the Secretary of State's office show that Cottie Petrie-Norris has opened up a significant fundraising lead over incumbent Assemblymember Matthew Harper in the race for California's 74th Assembly District. During the most recent reporting period, Petrie-Norris outfundraised Harper by a margin of nearly three to one.

Since the beginning of the year, Petrie-Norris has raised \$183,942 compared to Harper's haul of \$69,045. Petrie-Norris leads the all-important cash on hand category by a margin of over two to one. Petrie-Norris is now the only Assembly challenger in California who has more cash on hand than her incumbent opponent.

Candidates	Raised during period 5/20/18-6/30/18	Total raised since 1/1/18	Cash on hand as of 6/30/18
Cottie Petrie-Norris	\$73,772	\$183,942	\$101,084
Matthew Harper	\$24,602	\$69,045	\$44,848

Approximately 78% of Petrie-Norris's contributions came from individual donors and over 55% of the money she has raised to date came from the district.

"Our fundraising success reflects the broad-based support our campaign has earned – from individuals, organizations, and businesses across the 74th Assembly District," stated Petrie-Norris. "Orange County residents are tired of political games and ineffective leadership in Sacramento. They want a pragmatic and independent leader who will focus on getting things done, passing meaningful legislation, and bringing our fair share of tax dollars back home to Orange County. The momentum that we need to win in November is building and I am ready for the campaign that is ahead."

After working her way through Yale University, Petrie-Norris has had a successful 20-year career in finance and technology. She currently serves on the Laguna Beach Housing and Human Services Committee and is active in various civic and political organizations. Petrie-Norris lives in Laguna Beach with her husband, Colin, their two sons, Dylan and Hayden, and their rescue dog, Flounder.

Petrie-Norris is running for State Assembly in the 74th District, an emerging swing-seat in Orange County that includes all or portions of Costa Mesa, Irvine, Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach, Laguna Woods and Newport Beach. In 2016, Hillary Clinton carried the district by a margin of more than 7%, and incumbent Republican Assemblymember Matthew Harper only received 41.6% of the vote in the June primary election. Long-term registration shifts, coupled with the seat's high number of college-educated Republicans and no party preference voters make this district a prime pickup opportunity for Democrats in 2018.

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