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## Single Payer Advocate Dr. Daniel Lee Culver City Vice Mayor Enters The Race for Congressional District 37

With Current Congresswoman Bass running for Mayor of Los Angeles, Dr. Lee assures prospective constituents that they will continue to receive progressive and responsive representation in the 37th District.

(Culver City, CA) - During Dr. Daniel Lee's tenure on the Culver City Council, he led the way for Culver City to pass rent control, close down the Inglewood Oil Field, pass "Hero Pay" for grocery and hospital workers and implement numerous other people-focused policies. In addition, he worked with residents to demand an apology for Culver City's racist history as a "sundown town" *and the city passed reparations as a result.* Dr. Daniel Lee is committed to completing his term as Vice Mayor and his full term on the Culver City Council before he would assume Congressional office.

Dr. Lee is an Air Force and Air National Guard Veteran who served for 6 years as a Satcom Wideband Telemetry and Space Systems Journeyman, a former member of SAG-AFTRA, experienced community organizer, and social worker. He received his Masters in Social Welfare from UCLA, and recently completed his Doctorate in Social Work at USC. Lee is a 24-year resident of Los Angeles County and an 18-year resident of District 37. He was born in Alabama and raised with his three siblings in Florida by a powerhouse single mother who is a retired union nurse.

Dr. Lee has been a strong advocate for single payer healthcare in California. In the past, Dr. Lee has been endorsed by Healthcare for All Los Angeles, appeared in events for Healthy California Now, spoke at the Los Angeles version of the March for Medicare For All this summer and at the Keep the Promise rally urging Governor Newsom to keep his campaign promise to bring single payer to California. Since being elected to the Culver City Council, he has benefited from publicly provided healthcare. As someone who battles chronic pain due to a variety of conditions, Daniel knows first hand the struggles of people who must battle insurance companies to receive care or otherwise ration their necessary care in order to afford their rent or a mortgage. "I do not believe we should be rationing healthcare, we need Medicare for All now, when I'm in congress I will not just be a supporter, I will fight to make sure that we pass and implement Medicare for All and that vision, hearing and dental are part of the deal," Dr. Daniel Lee said.

"The constituents of the 37th District have had responsive and effective elected leadership in Representative Karen Bass, and as I have demonstrated in my time on the Culver City Council, I will continue to make the work of the people my priority" Dr. Lee announced his campaign with a close group of supporters. Dr. Lee is proud to have been endorsed by Congresswoman Bass during his race for Culver City Council but expects the open seat to draw numerous challengers representing different constituencies and welcomes a vibrant and multifaceted debate that centers working people's priorities.

Lee is no stranger to Capitol Hill. Along with allies in the nonprofit Move to Amend he helped draft HJR 48, the "We The People" amendment, which calls for a constitutional amendment to address Citizens United and other Supreme Court cases. The current lead sponsor for HJR 48 is Progressive Caucus Chair Pramila Jayapal. Representative Bass is also a co-sponsor.

Lee's priorities include popular policies like the Green New Deal & Medicare for All, getting money out of politics by amending the constitution, ending qualified immunity and implementing a Universal Basic Income.

Our goal is to run a campaign worthy of representing the 37th District of California and all Californians regardless of where the final district borders are drawn.

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