



SPECIFIC LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES THAT WILL FIX AMERICA'S PROBLEMS

I firmly believe that our country is at a distinct and perilous cross-road. **JUST THIS WEEK, IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOW AMORITIZING OUR OWN DEBT; WHICH MEANS WE ARE INDIRECTLY BUYING BACK OUR OWN DEBT.** If we do not make a dramatic alteration to the path that our government leaders are taking our country, they will bankrupt this great nation, and destroy the most prosperous and most free nation in the world.

For far too long, too many career politicians, lawyers, and “businessmen that buy their seat in Congress” have been elected. Both Democrats and Republicans have been “tax and spend” politicians who through their poor representation and misguided efforts have tried to ensure their reelection with a “spend, spend, spend” mentality. To say the least, today’s voters are frustrated and offended by the way these elected representatives have let down America. Electing this type of politician has got to stop!

The job to serve in the US House of Representatives ... the job that all of the candidates are seeking in the August 24th Primary, and in the general election in November, is not the job of “politician,” but that of “Congressional Legislator”.

For those voters that want another “politician” representing them, with more of the same in Washington, D.C., then I say vote for another candidate, because I will **NOT** be a “politician.” But, for those voters who are serious about fixing what is wrong with Congress, who are serious about putting a representative with “the right stuff” in Congress, and who are serious about hiring the “best legislator” and a tested Patriot to represent them in Congress, then choose to do your part by supporting and voting for me, Dan Fanelli, in the Primary as well as in the following General Election, when we defeat Alan Grayson.

Its time to talk about “specific” legislation that is needed to start fixing the problems America and the 8th Congressional District are facing today, as well to make an important announcement concerning “**The Fanelli Initiative**”. Once elected, I will work quickly and tirelessly to institute the following efforts and legislation:

- **25% ACROSS THE BOARD CUT OF THE SIZE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will include a broad 25% across the board cut of the Federal government of the 2009 approved Budget (**excluding National Defense**), to be implemented at the earliest opportunity. “Out-of-Control” growth and government spending cannot be tolerated any longer. This broad reaching fiscal reform will also include reducing the

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salaries of all Congressmen and Senators by 25%, with no pay increases until the US Budget is balanced. This bill will require all Federal Departments to be accountable to justify their budget with empirical data to substantiate their existence, and to verify their efficiency.

In addition, ineffective departments like the Department of Education will be closed. It has not justified its existence, refunding 80% of the money it receives back to the states, and keeping 20% of its budget for its own wasteful operation without improving student test scores when compared to other nations. The 20% “surcharge,” that it keeps for its operation, is wasteful and is better used to reduce the budget or for education in the state of origin.

- **REDUCE AND BRING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WAGES IN-LINE WITH PRIVATE SECTOR**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will bring the wages of Federal Employees into parity with the private sector. Studies have shown that government employees doing the same work, including their government benefit and retirement package, earn between 35% to 45% more each year than their private sector counterpart. This makes no sense and is bad business. Over a 6 year period, full parity will be reached and will require that “parity wages” remain in place into the future.

- **All Federal Employees Must Be Covered By The Same Healthcare Program As The General Public**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will require all Federal employees, including Congressmen and Senators, to be under the same healthcare plan as the rest the American citizens we represent.

- **6 YEAR BALANCE BUDGET AMENDMENT**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will require a “6 Year Average Balanced Budget Amendment”. Because America needs the flexibility to act as necessary to protect our vital national interests, as well as our being a world superpower, an annual requirement to have a balance budget is not the appropriate fix to our budgetary problems. Instead, a “6 Year Average Balance Budget Amendment” will have a target budget for every year, and that target will be adjusted for the upcoming years based on the previous years. When the target budget is exceeded or not agreed upon, everyone in the federal government, from the US Congressmen, the secretaries, and even the President, will receive a 4 percent pay cut for the next year.

- **Consumption Tax Replaces and Ends Federal Income Tax**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will eliminate or greatly reduce the IRS and replace the current draconian progressive tax system with a simple consumption based tax on new products and services only, paid at the point of sale. No more time consuming, complex, and confusing income tax for businesses and individuals. Details are based on *The Fair Tax*.

- **DRILL AND BUILD OUR WAY TO ENERGY INDEPENDENCE**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will cut our energy dependence by 50% in 5 years and end **all** fossil fuel dependency from foreign sources in 10 years or less. Dependence on foreign energy is strangling our economy and financing some nations that are supporting terrorism. America has plenty of valuable energy related natural resources. America needs to go to where the oil and natural gas are located and drill domestically without political and special interest interference. We need to build more oil refineries and nuclear power plants now. We need to give businesses tax incentives to encourage the free market, **not** government, development of renewable energy resources, including solar, wind, and hydro-electric. Implementing this policy will create thousands of jobs, eliminate dependency on foreign energy, and strengthening the US Dollar. This legislation will be called the "US Domestic Energy and Natural Resource Development Initiative".

- **REDUCE OUR MILITARY FORCES IN JAPAN AND GERMANY BY 30%**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will reduce our military forces in Japan and Germany by 30%, and provide the option for those service personnel to transfer into and increase the size of the US Border Patrol, as we strengthen the security of our southern and northern US borders from illegal immigration and terrorists entering our country. _

- **DEFUND AND REPEAL THE HEALTH CARE LAW**

I will support or sponsor specific legislation that will defund Obamacare, and repeal it as soon as possible. Then the Congress will work collectively to provide national health care reform that truly works for our country, which will include Tort Reform, portability of insurance, buying insurance across state lines, and insuring pre-existing conditions.

Unfortunately, we have seen in the past that the motivation of some elected Federal Representatives has been for their own personal gain and financial enrichment. I want to make clear that my motivation to serve as the representative for Congressional District 8 is to repair what is broken in Congress, and that it is an honorable and just cause with the following goals:

- (1) to balance our Federal Budget
- (2) to pay-off the \$13.3 Trillion National Debt, and
- (3) to verify that my running for this office is not for personal financial enrichment

TO SHOW BY MORE THAN JUST MERE WORDS, HOW IMPORTANT I BELIEVE REDUCING THE NATIONAL DEBT IS TO THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED STATES, I OFFER THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL COMMITMENT WHEN ELECTED. ALTHOUGH I AM NOT A RICH MAN, I HAD INITIALLY CONSIDERED PLEDGING TO WORK FOR FREE BY NOT ACCEPTING ANY PAY, AND HAD HOPED TO RAISE MONEY TO HELP PAY-OFF THE NATIONAL DEBT. BUT, WHEN I CONSULTED WITH THE US HOUSE ETHICS OFFICE BY PHONE, I WAS TOLD THAT I WAS NOT ALLOWED TO DO EITHER OF THESE THINGS BECAUSE THEY WERE AGAINST ETHICS RULES. HOWEVER, I REMAIN STEADFAST AND COMMITTED TO THIS CAUSE. I HAVE FORMULATED THE FOLLOWING PLEDGE AND INITIATIVE. I WANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT I MUST AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL FEDERAL LAWS AND ETHICS RULES AS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING:

THE FANELLI INITIATIVE

I hereby pledge when elected to serve as the Congressman representing the 8th Congressional District, to work diligently and faithfully as the Legislative Representative of the constituents of my district, and to give back \$100,000 of my Congressional pay, including taxes, to be used toward paying-off the National Debt.

My family and I accept this financial hardship to make clear my firm resolve, the seriousness of the situation, and the sincerity of this effort to not only pay-off our National Debt, but to ask other elected representatives to join me in this patriotic calling, as well as wake up unions to keep America competitive in the world economy by keeping wages reasonable. We must come together to solve the financial crisis in our country, and for each of us to personally do our part.

My call to the nation is not just to the Republicans, not just to the Democrats, and not just to the Independent political parties. My call is to every patriotic Americans that loves this country as I do, as I ask you to join me as we solve the problems of America together.

To the Republicans: I ask you to elect leaders who will hold true to the Reagan values of smaller government and fiscal responsibility; reduced government regulations, and implement economic policies that will help businesses to grow, to be profitable, and to create jobs for our people; to protect and defend our Constitution; and to ensure our nation's defense! To those in the district, I ask for your vote!

To the Democrats: I say if John F. Kennedy were alive today, his fundamental beliefs would make him a Republican, and I remind everyone that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was indeed a Republican, not a Democrat. I want to clearly state the reality of what is taking place in our government today is that the Democratic Party has been hijacked by a group of Socialists and bureaucrats that want to fundamentally, dramatically and forever change our way of life in America to be one of "redistribution of wealth" with the expectation of continuous entitlements from the Federal government, effectively killing our great American "can do attitude" and our strong work ethic. To those in the district that want to protect America from this cancer, I ask for your vote!

To the Independents: I say it is time to look not to the Party, but to the person who most closely shares your views and values for the betterment of the United States of America. I hope that I *am that person*, and that I have earned your vote.

As did our Founding Fathers, I pledge *my life, my fortune, and my sacred honor* for our great United States of America ..., that I love so much.

**I ask for your vote, and for you to join me as we take our country back.
May God bless you, and may God bless America!**

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