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## **GOP Congressional Candidate Daryl Kipnis Thanks Voters For Primary Support, Prepares To Debate Issues With Democratic Incumbent**

*Kipnis Vows To Get Things Done, Working To Ease \$4.2 Trillion Student Debt Crisis*

**SOMERSET, NJ** - GOP 12th District congressional candidate, and Somerset attorney, Daryl Kipnis said that he is “honored” to be the party’s nominee after securing the candidacy in primary polling Tuesday.

“I am truly honored to be nominated by the Republican Party for the U.S. House of Representatives for New Jersey’s 12th Congressional District,” Kipnis said Wednesday. “I am beyond grateful to my family, to my friends, to all who supported the campaign, and to God to have been blessed with this opportunity.”

Kipnis now faces two-term incumbent Democrat U.S. Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman in November’s general election.

“In the coming weeks, I look forward to working with Bob Hugin, my Republican running mate for the U.S. Senate, to share our plans to give New Jerseyans representation in both chambers of congress that will fight for the inclusion, equality, liberty and prosperity of each and every resident of the Garden State like never before.” he said.

Hugin will face embattled Democratic incumbent U.S. Sen. Bob Menendez who narrowly won his primary challenge Tuesday against fellow Democrat Lisa McCormick.

Menendez was censured in the Senate by a bipartisan ethics panel for accepting questionable gifts and travel accommodations from a long-time friend.

He escaped conviction during a trial on the matter with a hung jury and then the decision by prosecutors to drop the remaining charges against him.

Coleman and other Democratic members of the New Jersey delegation said they continue to support Menendez despite his legal and ethical woes.

When asked earlier this year if they still supported Menendez, the group affirmed their “love” for him on a NorthJersey.com video, and Coleman expanded to say that she will never answer the question as to whether she was concerned about running with Menendez, proclaiming him as a “good Senator for this country.”

“Nearly 40 percent of Democrats in the State who voted in the primary don’t believe that Bob Menendez should be their United States Senator, and unfortunately, Bonnie Watson Coleman is not one of them. She should stand with the sizable portion of her party, including voters in our district who voted for an unknown over our incumbent and ethically challenged United States Senator, and pledge to join me in support of the Republican nominee in the race for Senate, Bob Hugin.”

Kipnis said he wants to go to Washington D.C. to start getting things done for the district, unlike his opponent who has voted against about 90 percent of bills presented since taking office in January 2015, according to Votesmart.org.

Watson Coleman voted “no” on 164 of the 185 bills placed in front of her since taking office, including most recently the STOP School Violence and Safety Act of 2018 that was supported by a vast bipartisan majority, 407-10.

That bill which will give states an additional \$20 million for school safety measures was supported by Democrats Nancy Pelosi and Maxine Waters.

Watson Coleman also voted against the VA MISSION Act and the Right to Try Act of 2017 which expand medical freedom to veterans and the terminally ill, respectively, and were signed into law by President Trump after passing both houses of Congress.

“It is truly something that my opponent can yell ‘do something’ at her colleagues on the floor of the House of Representatives immediately following a moment of silence for the Texas school shooting victims, yet when given the opportunity, she votes for almost nothing to get done,” Kipnis said. “For those keeping score, she has voted against the following: more money in the pockets of millions of American working families, eliminating unemployment, strengthening our national defense, the safety and security of our kids in schools, medical freedom for veterans and the terminally ill, and funding for women’s healthcare. Why? Simply because she will not vote for anything the President will sign into law. If all she’s proven in almost four years is that she absolutely, positively, refuses to work together with anyone who has different views from her to resolve issues that matter for her constituents and people across the country. Why should she be sent back for two more years?”

Kipnis pledged to put people over politics and be an independent voice for the people of New Jersey’s 12th Congressional District.

While Watson Coleman fully supports Gov. Phil Murphy's radical tax-and-spend agenda which will make the least affordable state in the country even less affordable to live in, as a small business owner and father of three young children who understands the difficulties families are having with with the high costs of living in New Jersey, Kipnis has pledged to do the exact opposite.

He is proposing measures to ease the burden of student debt on some 42 million Americans that totals around \$4 trillion. His comprehensive plan would bring solutions to those under the heavy burden so that they can take part in the growing economy while also attacking the root causes of the problem such as rising tuition costs and providing lower cost alternatives to career and vocational education.

Kipnis also plans to introduce a "Rainy Day Act" to enable Americans to save up to \$5,000.00 every year, federal income tax-free, in special savings accounts to be used in times of hardship involving unexpected, emergency expenses, or loss of income.

District residents can learn more about Kipnis' campaign at [www.kipnisforcongress.com](http://www.kipnisforcongress.com), on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/KipnisForCongress](https://www.facebook.com/KipnisForCongress), or on Twitter at @Kipnis4Congress.

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