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KENOSHA, WI — Wisconsin Congressman Mark Pocan — Co-Chair of the House Progressive Caucus and native son of Kenosha, WI — today endorsed Randy Bryce for Congress in the First Congressional District against Speaker of the House Paul Ryan.

Pocan praised Bryce's commitment to saving ObamaCare and passing Medicare for All; giving working people and middle class families a voice in Congress; and repealing and replacing Paul Ryan — who stands with Donald Trump and Wall Street big shots, and who pushes an agenda to give billionaires and corporations massive tax breaks with nothing for the rest of us.

“The first Congressional District needs a member of Congress that will put his constituents first – not Donald Trump, not the Tea Party, and not the wealthy special interests. Paul Ryan has become a part of the problem in Washington, and his values are out-of-touch with the people of SE Wisconsin. I was raised in Kenosha, and I know the people there don’t want to cut 20 million people from their healthcare, privatize social security or provide tax cuts only to the wealthiest. We need a representative like Randy Bryce who will bring our working class values to Washington and fight on behalf of the people he represents and not the special interests.,” said Congressman Pocan.

“I am fiercely proud to have the support of a proven progressive champion and fighter like Mark Pocan,” Bryce said. “At a time when Washington is controlled by right-wing extremists and serves only the wealthy, the powerful, and the conservative special interests, he is a candle in the darkness who stands up for the rest of us. It would be my great honor to join him in Congress to put everyday working people in Wisconsin and across the country first.”

Pocan’s endorsement comes on the eve of the third quarter fundraising deadline on September 30th, and Bryce stands poised to cross the \$1 million threshold for the three-month period. This would almost certainly be the largest amount raised this cycle by a Democratic challenger to a sitting GOP House member. On Sept 26 – just 3 days ago – the Bryce campaign announced that it had raised \$890,000 from 33,481 donors this quarter, for an average donation of just \$23.42 per person.

Pocan’s endorsement comes a week and a half after Wisconsin liberal lion Dave Obey — the erstwhile dean of the WI Dem Congressional Delegation and the progressive champion who gaveled ObamaCare into law in 2010 — waived his own ban on primary endorsements because he was so enthusiastic and inspired by Bryce’s candidacy.

Randy Bryce is a veteran, union ironworker, and cancer survivor running to give working people and middle class families a voice in Congress, and to repeal and replace Speaker Paul Ryan and his pro-Wall Street agenda. Since announcing his candidacy in late June, Bryce’s campaign has drawn support from more than 35,000 individual contributors while earning support from countless elected officials, labor unions, progressive organizations, and grassroots activists.