

Bryce campaign: Republicans are terrified by Randy Bryce's victory

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Randy Bryce receives more votes than Bryan Steil in Speaker Ryan's R+5 District

RACINE, WI – For the first time in almost two decades the Democratic nominee earned more votes than the Republican nominee in Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District Primary Election. Randy Bryce received 36,397 votes in a contested Democratic primary while Ryan's handpicked replacement Bryan Steil received 30,883 with token opposition. That's 5,514 more votes than the Republican in a district which has been in Republican control for 20 years.

"Randy Bryce won a contested primary and Bryan Steil did not," said Campaign Manager David Keith. "The results last night clearly indicate who has the momentum going into the General Election. Wisconsin's First Congressional District sent a clear message that working families know Randy Bryce has their back. Republicans are left with lyin' Bryan Steil, a corporate attorney and former Washington D.C. Hill staffer (and driver) who has no understanding of the needs of working people in Southeast Wisconsin. He's a rubber stamp for a failed GOP agenda that calls for massive tax breaks for billionaires and a healthcare plan that would leave thousands of folks in Southeast Wisconsin without coverage. He now has to face someone who knows what hard work really means, and knows the struggles working people face. No wonder the Republicans woke up terrified."

Randy Bryce comes out of the contested primary with a healthy war chest, a clear message, and a broad coalition of support. The ironworker's strong campaign coupled with an enthusiastic Democratic base spells trouble for the GOP.

About Randy Bryce

Randy Bryce is a U.S. Army veteran, cancer survivor, and union ironworker. He was raised in southeastern Wisconsin, and went to public school. Randy's father was a police officer, and his mother worked in a doctor's office. After graduation, Randy enlisted in the U.S. Army, and was posted to Honduras, where he earned the Army Achievement Medal. After returning stateside, Randy was diagnosed with cancer, which he survived, but only after struggling through the bankruptcy that came with the medical bills. Once in remission, Randy found his way to an apprenticeship as an iron worker, a trade he's now been practicing and fighting to protect from anti-labor laws for nearly 20 years. Randy currently resides in Caledonia, WI with his son, Ben, who attends public schools like his dad. Randy joined the race for Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District in Summer 2017.