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“DON’T SEND AN INSURRECTIONIST TO CONGRESS”

**PFAFF LAUNCHES NEW DIGITAL AD CONDEMNING
VAN ORDEN’S ROLE IN JANUARY 6 CAPITOL ATTACK**

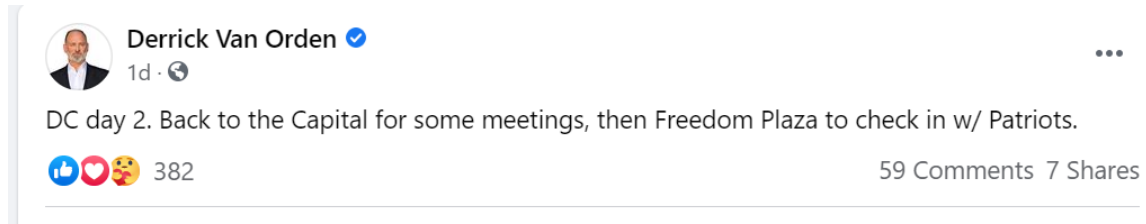
La Crosse – Today, rural advocate, state senator, and leading Democratic candidate for Congress in WI-03 Brad Pfaff, unveiled a new digital ad condemning Republican insurrectionist Derrick Van Orden for his role in the January 6 attack on the Capitol. Wisconsin’s 3rd Congressional District, located in rural western Wisconsin, is one of the most important battleground districts in the country.

“Rural America is patriotic America, and people out here recognize that the January 6 Capitol attack was a deeply unpatriotic and anti-American act,” said Pfaff. “Derrick Van Orden was at the Capitol as a part of the insurrection that awful day – when people were killed, cops were beaten, and the American Republic was besieged. No one who attacked our country can ever be trusted to serve it, our people or our democracy.”

To mark the upcoming anniversary of the tragic 1/6 attack, the Pfaff campaign is launching a new targeted digital ad hitting Van Orden for his participation in the Capitol insurrection. “Don’t send an insurrectionist to Congress,” [the video](#) urges.

Added Pfaff: “The people I grew up with out here love this country, and that’s true whether they’re Republicans, Democrats or anything else. But let’s be clear, Derrick Van Orden is not a Republican, he’s an insurrectionist, and I can tell you this: we won’t send an insurrectionist to Congress.”

Derrick Van Orden was in Washington, DC meeting with “patriots” on January 5th ([below](#)), and was [on the Capitol Grounds during the armed insurrection on January 6](#). In [one video](#), a fellow insurrectionist recounts a phone call he had with Van Orden, who was “on the wall” during the Capitol attack with “a bunch of his frogman buddies.”



Van Orden – the top Republican in this race – has since made repeated [false statements](#) about his whereabouts and what transpired on the day of the insurrection, has deleted social media activity from those days, and has refused to detail who he met with and what he knew in advance regarding plans for the deadly attack on the Capitol.

The leading Democratic candidate for Congress in Wisconsin's 3rd congressional district, Brad Pfaff was raised on a dairy farm in northern La Crosse County and has dedicated his career to serving Wisconsin communities and family farmers. He's running for Congress to fight for rural people who have been overlooked and left behind.

Brad and his wife, Betty, live in Onalaska where they raised their two children. Learn more at www.BradPfaff.com