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Software Engineer Kylie Taitano Announces Run for Congress CA-50 The time is now for bold change!

San Diego, CA - Software engineer and <u>Code with Her</u> founder, Kylie Taitano, announced today that she is running for U.S. House of Representatives in California's 50th Congressional District. Taitano's platform prioritizes (5) issues: Green New Deal, Healthcare for All, Democracy Reform, Investing in Public Education, and Immigration Rights.

"I am running for Congress in the 50th district because my generation is out of time. We no longer have the luxury to depend on the half-hearted compromise, incrementalism, and inaction exhibited by our current leadership. Here in San Diego, we're already feeling the consequences of climate change and our communities are burdened by the high-cost of healthcare, housing, and crushing student debt. We are also witnessing the crumbling of our democracy.

We can't expect the bold change we need from establishment politicians like Scott Peters who uphold the status quo by representing his real constituents - big corporations. I will not be beholden to wealthy interests and refuse to take a penny from corporations. My duty is to the people of San Diego, and to serve you will be the highest honor of my life."

Read more about Kylie Taitano's platform here: https://www.kylietaitano.com/issues

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About Kylie Taitano

Kylie Taitano is a San Diego based woman-in-tech who has been an active resident of the 50th district* for the past 11 years. She is a software engineer at Intuit San Diego and graduated from UCSD with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Computer Science. Kylie is still active at UCSD, serving as a Board Member of the Computer Science and Engineering department's Alumni Board.

Kylie is also the co-founder of Code With Her, a San Diego based non profit whose mission is to close the gender and diversity gap in tech by providing real-world coding experiences. Alongside her co-founders, Kylie built a diverse, all-female team that has served thousands of students within San Diego County, across the United States, and abroad.

Kylie became politically engaged in Democratic Party politics in 2016. She volunteered for Bernie Sanders 2016 and 2020 presidential campaigns; in 2020 she led volunteers to knock on thousands of doors and make thousands of phone calls in the neighborhoods of UTC/University City, Clairemont, and UCSD. Currently, she serves in the California Democratic Party as an Executive Board Member and Assembly District Delegate for the recently-redistricted 78th Assembly District. She also serves as a member of the San Diego County Democratic Party's Central Committee.

Kylie was born on the beautiful US island territory of Guam. Her Filipina and Indigenous Chamorro heritage and upbringing have taught her that community is built on respect, reciprocity, and caring for the well-being of the whole. These values are core to who she is and is the driving force behind why she wants to serve her community.

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