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**Portsmouth City Councilor and Chair of Portsmouth's Renewable Energy Committee,  
Josh Denton, Endorses Terence O'Rourke for Congress**

**Portsmouth, N.H.** - As an Iraq War veteran, a member of the Portsmouth City Council, and Chair of Portsmouth's Renewable Energy Committee, lessening our dependence on fossil fuels to prevent the continued deployment of our service members to protect our access to cheap oil reserves is near and dear to my heart. Terence O'Rourke is the only candidate running for Congress in the First District that specifically speaks to this issue.

Terence, as a fellow former U.S. Army Captain and Iraqi infantry battalion combat advisor, appreciates that despite our current war strategies being far removed from many Americans daily dinner table discussions, our democracy rests upon politicians being held accountable for their actions, even if they are occurring in the shadows. Terence has been speaking out against both the abdication of Congress' constitutional duty to authorize current military operations against the Islamic State and the continuation of our counterproductive Wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

As a veteran who proudly fought alongside the less than one percent of Americans that serve, Terence will always seek the truth about administration claims on the number of service members fighting overseas and identify where exactly they are deployed and fighting and why. Further, Terence understands that changing climates threaten our national security as environmental chaos in already destabilized regions has lead to civil wars, the rise of ISIS, and our service members being deployed into shooting galleries.

Having been friends and colleagues since we met at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, over fourteen years ago, I can say with certainty that not only will Terence work his heart out for all the people of New Hampshire's First Congressional District, but he has the life experiences and strategic vision and passion that will make him an excellent Congressman. I am therefore wholeheartedly endorsing Terence O'Rourke for Congress.

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