

Thank you all for coming out this afternoon, despite the heavy rain. It's a great occasion for Diana and I to see so many of you, our dear friends, colleagues, and neighbors and especially so many fellow Republicans, from all our many journeys together over our many years here in Harris County and SE Texas.

I would especially like to thank my special friends that have graciously spoken or written about me today (Senator Jon Lindsay, former SD 7 Republican Chairmen Billy Moore & Charles Alcorn, Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector Paul Bettencourt and Republican National Committeeman Tim Lambert) for their kind words of praise and encouragement. I would also like to take a moment to recognize some others here with me today that haven't spoken, but whose counsel and encouragement are invaluable to me as I undertake this next great journey. Would all the precinct chairman in attendance please stand and be honored by your applause, for their hard work and dedication.

And of course, the love of my life, my dear wife, Diana, whose love, support, and encouragement in everything I do means more than words can ever say. Thank you, Diana, I love you.

I come before you today to formally announce my candidacy to seek the Republican nomination for the United States House of Representatives from the 2^{nd} District of Texas.

This is a decision that I have been carefully considering for many months. Congressional redistricting has presented us all with a new opportunity and next November, we will choose a new Congressman for this new district. Congressman Kevin Brady has served the western portion of this new district with great leadership and outstanding service these past 7 years. During these same seven years, Congressman Nick Lampson has represented the eastern portion of this district, and too many times has voted against the values and beliefs of the majority of the great citizens of this new district.

To be considered as a representative of your fellow citizens, is not only a humbling honor, but a great opportunity. It's an opportunity to improve the lives of every single citizen, and touch the hearts and minds of everyone that hears you speak, or learns of your acts. Integrity, trust and courage, will be the foundation of my service to the citizens of District 2. I will dedicate my life, and all my energy, to serving them as the best congressman they could possibly desire. I want each and every citizen of District 2 to speak proudly that Clint Moore is there Congressman.

My late parents, Al & Clara Moore, taught me from a young age, that service to one's community was expected, but could be given in many ways. They reminded me of my Grandmother Eleanor Moore's service to the citizens of Jefferson County, Texas for many years as a beloved clerk in the County Tax Assessor's office there. They taught me how my great-grandfather William Moore had served in the Virginia legislature, and how his father Alfred Moore, had served in the North Carolina legislature, as well. By the time I was four years old, my parents were taking me door to door in our neighborhood



getting out the vote and raising funds for the Republican Party. I vividly remember those days, and the countless political discussions we had throughout my upbringing.

More importantly, they taught me a love of God, Country, and community that burns in me a boundless optimism that we <u>can</u> make things better. If we never lose sight of our values and principles, and dedicate ourselves to never giving up, we <u>can</u> build that better world. My roots in politics are deep, and now is my time to step out front, and be a Congressman that can make a difference in so many lives.

As a child, I actually grew up dreaming of running for Congress, but when the Oil Embargo and Watergate hit us all hard in my senior year of high school, I redirected my efforts toward a career of finding oil & gas for America's future energy security, and serving my community as a volunteer leader in politics, business, industry, science, and local government. Over the last 25 years of living, working, and volunteering in the SE Texas community, I have been truly blessed to have great challenges laid before me, and wonderful accomplishments to look back on with a sense of satisfaction, that I made a difference in the lives of my fellow citizens, because I was indeed able to help "Make it Happen".

In many ways, I believe that I am uniquely qualified to be our next Congressman, because of the breadth and depth of my many leadership roles, the track record of success that I've been blessed to achieve, the understanding that I have of the issues and problems facing our great Country, and the principles and values that I would bring to this distinguished office.

As a long-time Republican grassroots leader, with a proven track record on Economic and Social Conservative issues, I have worked very hard to assure that the viewpoints of grassroot Republicans prevailed in our State and National Republican Party. It is because of our grassroots involvement, that we have become the majority party across the State of Texas today, and the model for other Republican parties to follow across America. Our grassroots shine brightly every two years, when our Republican State and Senate District Conventions meet with thousands of dedicated Republican delegates, who then go forth energized, to spread the good news about our future leadership ideas. I am so very proud to be a leader in that wonderful mission.

As your Representative in Congress you will see me focusing on many issues important to the citizens of District 2:

I am deeply committed to:

"Moore" support for Economic Growth, More Jobs, and Business Development for the District, as well as relief from Excessive Federal Taxation & Regulation, from all Federal Departments.



"Moore" support for Pro-Life, Pro-Family Value policies and legislation that upholds and enhances the principles and values of our Founding Fathers and their love of God and Country.

"Moore" support for National Security policies and legislation that enhance our National Defense, our Homeland Security, and our National Energy Security, while at the same time, protecting our 2nd Amendment Right to Bear Arms and our Constitutional Liberties & Freedoms.

"Moore" support for Financial Security policies and legislation that protect Retirement & Health Care Plans, Social Security, Medicare, and 401K's, and enhancing the financial foundation of every citizen's "American Dream".

"Moore" support for Education, by protecting our schools from unfunded Federal mandates, as well as protecting Home School Rights.

"Moore" support for Federal transportation infrastructure, such as more roads to maintain the economic growth carried on the backs of trucks carrying goods and services, as well as the airports and rail lines that move our Country too.

"Moore" direct constituent service, by designating special staff members to assist my constituents' with their Federal problems, involving Social Security, Medicare, Veterans Affairs, and the IRS.

Although I have had a successful career in the business world over the last 25 years, I have spent virtually all of my extra time trying to make Texas and District 2 a better place to live, work, and raise a family, based on our shared conservative beliefs.

I have worked at all levels within the Republican Party from Campaign Worker to Precinct Chair up to Chairman of the most Republican Senate District in Texas, and have had great impact in advancing the many issues that concern the citizens of Congressional District 2. With my high standards of character & integrity, and my proven experience and strong leadership skills, I intend to serve the citizens of District 2, as the best Congressman they've ever had.

In closing, I want to thank you again, for joining Diana and I here today, as we embark on this greatest of journeys — a journey that will take us into many of the towns and neighborhoods of this great district, and to accomplishments that might seem unimaginable today. It is not possible for me to do this alone, so therefore I am asking each and every one of you to help me in this effort. Please join me in my mission of commitment to public service to the great citizens of District 2, as their next Congressman in the United States House of Representatives.

Thank you, and may God bless America and may God bless Texas!