

My name is Ernesto Cullari, because I am not a career politician, it's likely that you've never heard of me before. I have led a private, but not so quiet life. I have long been a champion for Republican virtues in my column the Justified Right, which is published in one of the nation's most liberal newspapers, the TriCity News. For the past five years, thirty thousand readers have come across my column each week. Recently it has come to my attention that New Jersey's 6th Congressional District has been without a strong and consistent voice to represent them in the race for Congress against Frank Pallone. I'd like to earn the opportunity to gain both your confidence and your vote in this all too important political contest.

I am well educated. I am a graduate of Ithaca College where I completed a major in biology, a minor in philosophy, and where I studied Spanish. After graduating in 2001 I almost immediately entered the medical field.

I have long considered myself a slice of the ethnic future of both the Republican Party and America as a whole. As a beneficiary of a rich and diverse heritage, I am the result of America's wonderful melting pot. My grandparents are from richly diverse backgrounds, such that I both embody and enjoy Filipino, Irish, Ecuadorian and African cultures. In a time when the Republican Party has been vilified as being all white and homogenous, I pose a threat to these grossly false assertions.

As a resident of the Sixth Congressional District for over nine-years, my commitment to the communities within the 6th District are above reproach. Currently I work hands on with patients in various operating rooms, orthopedic, physical and occupational therapy clinics, aiding patients in regaining their range of motion as well as their way of life. In my profession I deal with patients in crisis, leading them to healthy futures and functionality. I see firsthand the damage to American medical care inherent in Obamacare.

As a small business owner, I work with children, teens and young adults, teaching them how to sing and write music on the professional level. I recently co-wrote and produced a number one hit song on Disney Radio and I remain passionate about the Arts and about cultivating America's greatest asset, which is our youth.

My family has long been committed to helping children that live in the world's most impoverished communities and we are known to sacrifice ourselves for the good of others. For 3-years my mother was on a list to be abducted by narco-terrorists when she served as a missionary and educator at Rancho 3M in Guadalupe, Mexico. Her fearless commitment to our shared values and beliefs are what led me to run for political office. I too desire to serve others in a meaningful and fruitful way. For nearly every year that my mother has served on the mission field I have aided her as a prolific fundraiser, bringing attention to the plight of the world's poorest children.

I believe that my passion for liberty, free markets and a small federal government, as well as my commitment to Christian, Conservative and Republican values, along with my diverse ethnic background will invigorate both new and traditional voters to turnout in both the primary and the general election, which in the end will help the rest of the Republican ticket carry on the successful work that Governor Christie and Senator Kyrillos have initiated in our state.

I ask for your support when the upcoming screening committee meets so that I might continue to spread the Republican message of free markets, American virtues and liberty.