



September 14, 2026

Congressman Gus Bilirakis
Bilirakis for Congress
P.O. Box 606
Tarpon Springs, FL 34688

Dear Congressman Bilirakis,

As the Democratic Nominee for Florida's 12th Congressional District, I'm writing to challenge you to two televised debates before the November 3, 2026, general election — one in Hillsborough County and one in Pasco County.

This district was newly drawn and signed into law on May 4, 2026. Because the lines are new, many voters across FL-12 have never been represented by either of us and are meeting both of us for the first time. As someone who actually lives in the district, I believe my neighbors deserve the opportunity to hear directly from both candidates and assess our visions for the district.

The voters deserve to hear us answer to the issues that matter most to them: the cost of living and how we can afford it, access to high-quality affordable health care, the solvency of Social Security and Medicare, the performance of our public schools, and the future of the Tampa Bay region. Holding a debate in each county makes sure each community is treated as a priority.

My team is ready to work with yours on mutually agreeable dates, venues, hosts, formats, and a neutral moderator in each county, and we can begin scheduling right away. I hope you'll join me in giving the voters of Hillsborough and Pasco the debate — and the voice — they deserve.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Overman
Democratic Nominee, Florida's 12th Congressional District

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