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| 1. (a) Name of Candidate (in full) <u>DONOVAN LAMONT RIVERS</u> | | 2. FEC Candidate Identification Number <u>C00558346</u> |
| (b) Address (number and street) <input type="checkbox"/> Check if address changed <u>P.O. BOX 22525</u> | | 3. Is This Statement <input type="checkbox"/> New (N) OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amended (A) |
| (c) City, State, and ZIP Code <u>SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98122</u> | | 6. State & District of Candidate <u>WASHINGTON 7TH</u> |
| 4. Party Affiliation <u>DEM</u> | 5. Office Sought <u>CONGRESS</u> | |

DESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

7. I hereby designate the following named political committee as my Principal Campaign Committee for the 2016 election(s).
(year of election)

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the appropriate office listed in the instructions.

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| (a) Name of Committee (in full) <u>FRIENDS OF DON RIVERS FOR CONGRESS</u> |
| (b) Address (number and street) <u>P.O. BOX 22525</u> |
| (c) City, State, and ZIP Code <u>SEATTLE, WA 98122-0525</u> |

DESIGNATION OF OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES
(Including Joint Fundraising Representatives)

8. I hereby authorize the following named committee, which is NOT my principal campaign committee, to receive and expend funds on behalf of my candidacy.
NOTE: This designation should be filed with the principal campaign committee.

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| (a) Name of Committee (in full) <u>DONOVAN RIVERS FOR CONGRESS (2016)</u> |
| (b) Address (number and street) <u>DONOVAN RIVERS FOR CONGRESS (2016)</u> |
| (c) City, State, and ZIP Code <u>P.O. BOX 22525</u> |
| <u>SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98122-0525</u> |

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

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| Signature of Candidate <u>Donovan L. Rivers</u> | Date <u>04/01/16</u> |
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NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to penalties of 52 U.S.C. §30109.

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WHY I'M RUNNING FOR CONGRESS

Don Rivers - *Common Sense Democrat*

STATEMENT:

The Congressional seat is a responsibility that should not be taken lightly; as each vote can have world-changing ramifications.

We need leadership that understands how to engage on local issues as well as those that play out on the world-stage.

I am a candidate who has real-world experience engaging political, business, and community leaders on a global scale and want to put my experience to work representing Washington State.

LOCAL ISSUES:

Hanford Nuclear Site - The town of Flint, Michigan is suffering from a lack of clean water. In Washington, we have been ignoring the clean up of the Hanford Nuclear site for too long. We cannot afford to wait until we have a national emergency of our own.

The Tunnel - We cannot continue throwing tax-payer money away on a project with no end in site. It's time to look at other options.

DOMESTIC ISSUES:

Stopping Gun Related Deaths/Societal Violence- We must recognize that mental health and wellness play a major role in curbing violence in America. We will engage the problem with education, counseling, and treatment programs. We have to create an environment where we can talk about people who deal with mental illness. We have to build both public and private partnerships to support individuals with mental illness that don't currently exist.

Stabilizing Social Security - I turn 60 years old this year. This is a topic that is important to me as I and many of my life-long friends enter the golden-years of our lives. I will develop a long-term, viable strategy of sustainment in the area of a new social security programs to stabilize our current system and prepare it for our younger generations.

Cultural Communication and Bridge-Building - As someone who experienced first-hand the civil rights movement of the 1960's, I know how far we have come and where we can still improve. I will work to develop areas of understanding between us. Together we will build a bridge across the racial, cultural and economic divide

GLOBAL ISSUES:

Global Business Experience
I am the only candidate with hands-on experience doing business outside of the U.S. I will fight to correct the problems with the recent trade agreement. Additionally I will look into establishing an international trade-zone for District 7 & 9.

Supporting Our Military - Congress must reassert their constitutional powers to regulate and govern the military. We must do a better job of vetting information before sending our soldiers into harms-way. Additionally, we must support our veterans with mental health counseling, work training/transition to civilian life, home ownership programs, and so on.

Foreign Affairs - We must be strong allies to our friends, while still offering a "trust but verify" approach to hostile nations. It's time for America to lead again!

DON RIVERS FOR CONGRESS!

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