

SIX REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES EXPRESS INTEREST IN 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT SEAT

Albuquerque, February 3—A half a dozen people have contacted the Republican Party of New Mexico to say they want to represent New Mexico's 1st Congressional District in Washington. The 134 members of RPNM's State Central Committee from CD-1 will eventually elect the party's Congressional nominee.

At this time the following people have announced they're running for the 1st Congressional District seat:

Eddy Aragon Albuquerque

Peggy Muller Aragon Albuquerque

Michaela Chavez Albuquerque

Michelle Garcia Holmes Bernalillo

Ronnie Lucero Albuquerque

Jared Vander Dussen Albuquerque There is no deadline for submitting names until a vacancy is announced. Any interested candidates may contact Nike Kern, RPNM's Executive Director, at <u>Nike@gopnm.org</u>.

If Rep. Deb Haaland is confirmed by the U.S. Senate to become Interior Secretary, she would resign, leaving her seat vacant. New Mexico's Secretary of State would then call a special election no later than 91 days after it is vacated.

New Mexico's 1st Congressional District includes nearly three-fourths of Albuquerque, most of Bernalillo County, Torrance County and sections of Santa Fe, Sandoval and Valencia Counties.