



Restore Trust and Respect
www.EllenSimonForCongress.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Thursday, July 6, 2006

CONTACT:
Mary Nemick, 928-284-3331
mnemick@hotmail.com

SIMON RAISES MORE THAN \$500,000 TO DELIVER MESSAGE OF POSITIVE CHANGE

(SEDONA, AZ) -- Ellen Simon today reported that she has raised more than \$500,000 during the first six weeks of her campaign to represent the 1st Congressional District of Arizona. More than 300 donors have contributed to the campaign so far in support of Simon's message of positive change.

"We can make a real difference in people's lives," Simon said. "All it takes is hard work, the willingness to make tough choices, and the kind of leadership that can't be bought."

Simon said the funds are helping her reach out to residents of the district and share with them her commitment to work on the issues that affect middle-class families, small business owners, senior citizens and others struggling to pay for health care or save for their children's college. Simon seeded her campaign with a contribution of more than \$200,000 to signal her independence and commitment to the race and the residents of the district.

Simon said the current administration and its partisan allies in Congress have done incalculable damage to the country and the 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

"Just six years ago, we were debating what to do with the single largest budget surplus in history," Simon said. "Now, we are faced with the single largest budget deficit in history -- and it threatens to destroy our economic security for generations to come."

Simon has called on Congress to reject the pay raise they gave themselves this year, saying that politicians shouldn't increase their own salaries until middle-class families have received one.

"I'm running for Congress to restore the kind of balance and accountability that will make our communities stronger and our nation more secure," Simon said.

Throughout one of the most distinguished and successful legal careers in the U.S., Simon has fought for the rights of individuals who were discriminated against because of their age, disabilities, race or gender. Simon has won numerous landmark cases in the field of civil rights law, holding corporations accountable for their actions and helping to change and expand laws to ensure equal protection for all Americans.

Simon's campaign centers on improving public security, public health, public schools, and public integrity.

"The residents of this district deserve a representative that will fight for the issues they care about most," Simon said. "I will provide new leadership for a new direction."

###

Ellen Simon for Congress • P.O. Box 20435 • Sedona, Arizona 86341 • TEL: 928-284-3331

Authorized and paid for by Ellen Simon for Congress,
Carter Olsen, Treasurer. Printed in-house by computer. Labor donated.