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Ohio

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Mr. David Krikorian
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Dear Mr. Krikorian:

The purpose of this letter is to give you fair warning that I will not stand by and allow you to use racism to smear your primary opponent's name as was reported to me by those attending a recent speech you gave.

I recently was presented a report on a presentation you made to a veterans group in Clermont County. Your remarks there were offensive to all that find even the hint of racism appalling.

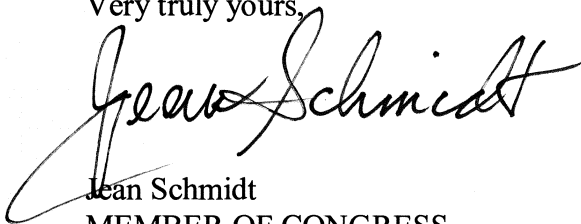
During your presentation you referred to your opponent repeatedly by dramatically and phonetically pronouncing his name. Poking fun at his heritage is appalling enough but your next comment was way over the line. You stated according to those veterans present, "Now do you really think a guy with a name like that has a chance of ever being elected?"

Mr. Krikorian, I do not think the residents of Ohio's Second Congressional District are racists. I am shocked by your behavior. Further, I will not allow your prejudice to go unanswered.

You owe Mr. Yalamanchili and the Indian-American community an apology. Though I doubt one is forthcoming given your history.

Please conduct yourself in a manner fitting a candidate for the office you seek. Racism has no place in the debate, period. Please be assured that I will continue to speak up about such conduct should it continue. I know you are new to the Democratic Party but I would venture to guess that such behavior will be particularly offensive.

Very truly yours,



Jean Schmidt
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