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Corporate and Dark Money PAC Campaign Financing Does Not Help Marylanders

Indivisible Route 1 Corridor, Indivisible Bowie & Beyond, and the Campaign Finance Reform Working Group of the Maryland Indivisible Coalition oppose the millions of dollars funneling into the election campaign for Maryland's 5th Congressional District.

If the policies of the tech industry, the crypto industry, and AIPAC-supported groups were popular with Maryland voters, buying influence with our representatives would not be necessary.

Corporations and dark money PACs—including big tech, the crypto industry, and AIPAC-backed groups have already contributed \$5 million to this race. These exorbitant contributions are not in the interest of Marylanders. This massive amount of money for one Congressional seat constitutes a quid pro quo for the contributors to extract support for legislative policies that will subvert the interests of Marylanders, including data centers and cryptocurrency corruption.

AIPAC-supported groups have already heavily contributed to the campaigns for Maryland's 3rd and 4th Congressional Districts over the last two election cycles. The cryptocurrency industry's influence in Maryland campaigns resulted support for a federal cryptocurrency bill that includes no ethics provisions, no consumer protection, and facilitates money-laundering.

Contributions to dark money PACs prevent electoral accountability: the identity of the contributors and the amount of their contributions are hidden from the public.

The Maryland Indivisible Coalition Campaign Finance Reform Working Group has commenced an initiative to get dark money out of Maryland politics using laws proposed or enacted in other states.

FIGHT BACK AGAINST THE CORRUPTION AND DISINFORMATION IN ELECTIONS BY VOTING FOR CANDIDATES WHO PLEDGE TO FOREGO CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CORPORATIONS AND PACS.

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