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With Election Tightening, Commonwealth Forward Surpasses 50,000 Doors Knocked Supporting Progressive House of Delegates Candidates

Richmond, VA - Today, Commonwealth Forward PAC, a progressive organization fighting the corrosive effects of corporate corruption in state politics, announced a major milestone in their 2021 election efforts: knocking 51,036 doors in support of endorsed candidates in critical House of Delegates races.

"With polls continuing to tighten for Democrats, it is more important than ever to focus on grassroots campaigning," said Kiera Hall, Commonwealth Forward Executive Director. "Forty six days ago, we started with an ambitious goal to knock on 50,000 doors before Election Day to share with Virginia voters the importance of preserving and expanding the progressive gains of the last two years. With several targeted districts being decided by hundreds of votes or less in previous elections, our coalition is striving to keep middle class families first governance in Richmond. We won't let up on the gas until victory on November 2."

Commonwealth Forward earlier launched the "50k Doors in 50 Days" campaign, a joint effort to mobilize community partners in Virginia to elect or protect Democratic candidates in battleground seats. With 51,036 doors knocked, organization efforts are set to exceed the original goal. Target campaigns include Kelly Fowler (HD-21), Joshua Cole (HD-28), Elizabeth Guzman (HD-31), Lashrecse Aird (HD-63), Katie Sponsler (HD-66), Nadarius Clark (HD-79), Kecia Evans (HD-88), and Finale Norton (HD-100).

Progressive partners and allies include <u>Commonwealth Forward</u>, <u>CASA In Action</u>, <u>Meet Our Moment</u>, <u>Virginia for Everyone</u>, <u>Virginia Justice Democrats</u>, and Keep the Big Boys Honest.

Coalition members also successfully executed major grassroots organizing events, with multiple canvass rallies including notable progressive speakers <u>Delegate Jay Jones</u>, 2021 gubernatorial candidate <u>Jennifer Carroll Foy</u>, and 2020 congressional Democratic nominee <u>Qasim Rashid</u>. These major rally efforts are a part of the coalition's plan to mobilize progressive voters across the state.

Learn more at www.CommonwealthForward.com/50-in-50.

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