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As Chamber of Commerce expenditures break spending cap in District 6, Dan Strauss's grassroots fundraising strategy stands out

Seattle, WA - As corporate spending flows into the District 6 City Council race, Dan Strauss's robust grassroots fundraising despite refusing corporate funding stands out.

By manipulating the Democracy Voucher system and breaking the spending cap for both of its chosen candidates, the Chamber of Commerce's PAC has opened the door for its chosen candidates to collect bigger checks. To combat this outside money, Strauss has doubled down on individual and community support.

"I have refused to take corporate money, and I would not be able to mount a credible campaign without Democracy Vouchers," said Strauss. "I am proud to have funded my campaign more than 70 percent through the Democracy Voucher program."

Strauss has the most in-district donors and most overall donors in the race and is one of the top three fundraisers despite his pledge not to take corporate money. The other two top fundraisers have been endorsed by the Chamber of Commerce's PAC and have received independent expenditures on their behalf.

In addition to his grassroots base, Strauss has earned support from numerous organizations and individuals. He has received endorsements from the FUSE Progressive Voters Guide, the Stranger, King County Democrats, King County Young Democrats, Washington High School Democrats, SEIU 1199NW, SEIU 925, UFCW 21, Teamsters 117, Machinists 751, UAW 4121, Seattle Subway, and the Alliance for Gun Responsibility. He also has endorsements from Seattle City Councilmember Sally Bagshaw, Rep. Gael Tarleton, former State Rep. Jessyn Farrell, Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers, and many District 6 community leaders.