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I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for attending the grand opening of my Center City campaign headquarters. Your support means the world to me, and I will continue to rely on your sponsorship and assistance as we build a movement for change in the District Attorney's Office and the City of Philadelphia.

In the coming months, the forces of Philadelphia's status quo will surely attack us. In their determination to maintain control of a government that works only for the cronies of the privileged and powerful, they will rely on the politics of personality – innuendo, half-truths and negative attacks – to sway public opinion.

We are equally determined, however, to make this race about the issues that matter. The future of the city is at stake, and the Office of District Attorney is too important to that future. Together, we must tell the forces of the status quo that it is a New Day in Philadelphia, and it is time for a New D.A.

It is time to get smarter in how we implement our criminal justice system.

Our plan for community-based prosecutors will dramatically cut the percentage of cases dismissed at preliminary hearings for lack of prosecution. A single prosecution team will handle each case from beginning to end, ending courthouse confusion and keeping a protective eye on victims and witnesses.

Alternatives to incarceration for first-time non-violent offenders, like the successful Back on Track program, could save the city millions while steering hundreds of young offenders away from a life of crime and onto the path to productive citizenship.

It is time for change.

Help up build this movement for change. Tell you friends and neighbors about our campaign, and the importance of the District Attorney's race to the future of Philadelphia. Donate to my campaign, volunteer for office or field work, or host a fundraiser.

Together, we can by the change we're looking for. Together, we can once again make our city a great place to live, work and raise our families.

Sincerely,

Seth