## Media Release



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Today, the NATIONAL DEFENSE PAC announces its endorsement of Representative Mike Dovilla for election to the United States Congress for the 18th District of the Buckeye State, Ohio. NATIONAL DEFENSE PAC, Chairman, Rear Admiral James J. Carey, USN (ret), stated, "Mike is a long-time friend of many of us involved in military issues. His continued service to this country serving in the Reserve component of the U.S. Navy, some during very hazardous duty in Iraq, places beyond question his patriotism. Additionally, Mike's work in the other areas of government clearly illustrates his strong ability as a logical thinker and problem solver. These qualities of intellect, dedication, and patriotism combine to make Mike the perfect person to represent the citizens of Ohio."

Mike Dovilla has the unique position in this race of actively being engaged in public policymaking at the local, state, federal and international levels, plus an insight into the needs and challenges of the military and the issues of those who are serving our country. With the global problems at hand, Congress needs Mike's understanding of the world and the vital role of the military.

Mike is an officer in the Reserve Component of the U.S. Navy. A lieutenant commander with a decade of commissioned service, he served on active duty on a 12-month deployment in Iraq in 2007-2008. As Deputy Officer-in-Charge, he led a 25-person, Baghdad-based intelligence headquarters staff for Combined Joint Task Force Troy, the counter-improvised explosive device brigade in Iraq. Mike's past reserve assignments have been with the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) and Chief of Naval Operations. He currently serves with an Akron-based unit attached to United States Forces, Japan. A qualified Information Dominance Warfare Officer, his awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal and various unit and campaign awards.

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