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**EMILY's List Endorses Annette Taddeo
in Florida's 18th District**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – EMILY's List, one of the nation's largest political action committees and financial resources for women running for elected office, today announced its endorsement of Annette Taddeo in Florida's 18th congressional district.

"Annette Taddeo's work as a community leader and a successful businesswoman has provided her with experience to get results in the halls of Congress," said Ellen R. Malcolm, president of EMILY's List. "EMILY's List is proud to endorse Annette as she works to address the issues facing communities in the 18th district and bring a new voice and independent leadership to Washington."

A small business owner and a community leader, Annette Taddeo is running for Congress because she believes South Florida needs a new beginning. As founder and CEO of LanguageSpeak, Taddeo has a 15 year track record as a successful businesswoman and was named businesswoman of the year by the *South Florida Business Journal* and one of the top 50 Latina entrepreneurs in the country by *Hispanic Magazine*. Taddeo is also a strong advocate for women as chair of the Women's Enterprise National Council's Leadership Forum and a national founding partner and member of the executive board of WIPP – Women Impacting Public Policy.

Taddeo's priorities reflect the values of the 18th district. She has already raised more than every recent Democratic challenger in this seat combined and the district is seeing historic increases in Democratic voter registration. Annette Taddeo's leadership, experience, and dedication to her community will make her a valuable voice for the working families she will represent in Congress.

"I am honored to have the endorsement of EMILY's List. For years they have helped elect women across the country to office. EMILY's List is committed to moving America forward by helping win races against Bush rubber stamps like my opponent, Ileana Ros-Lehtinen. As the only Latina challenger running in the country, their endorsement means they understand the growing impact of Latinas on our political process and are putting their support behind leaders who will represent the people. When I am elected to Congress, I will use my experience to clean up Washington and stand up for middle class families in South Florida and across America," Taddeo said.

With more than 100,000 members across the country, EMILY's List is one of the largest political action committees in the nation. Since its founding in 1985, EMILY's List has raised over \$240 million to elect 71 pro-choice Democratic women to the U.S. House, 13 to the U.S. Senate, and eight governors. Over the course of 23 years, EMILY's List has helped elect hundreds of pro-choice Democratic women to federal office, state legislatures, state constitutional offices, and other key local offices.

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