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## **Scott Taylor to Run for Virginia's 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Seat**

### **- Entrepreneur & Former Navy SEAL Brings Background of Leadership, Service and Innovation to Congressional Race -**

Virginia Beach – Today, Scott Taylor announced his run for Congress with a video at [www.scotttaylorforcongress.com](http://www.scotttaylorforcongress.com), Facebook, and Twitter. This morning, he filed paperwork with the Federal Election Commission to run as a candidate for Virginia's 2nd Congressional district, which includes Virginia Beach, the Eastern Shore, and parts of Norfolk and Hampton.

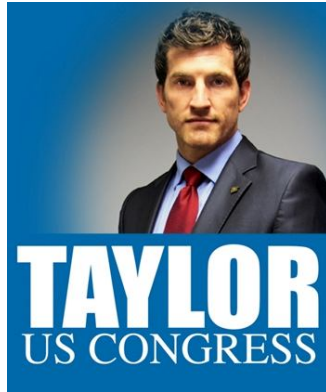
**"The 2nd District – with its rich history, beautiful natural resources and hard-working citizens - is one of the best places in the nation to live and work. Decisions that our elected officials make in Washington affect our quality of life and our future. Here in the 2nd District, we face some tough challenges - with our economy, creating and protecting jobs, health care, education, transportation and our growing energy needs."**

**"I'm running for Congress because we need new leadership in Washington to address these issues,"** stated Taylor. **"Our Democratic leaders in Washington believe that more government spending is the answer to these challenges. I don't agree. In fact, I don't believe that the best solutions are going to come from government. We need to empower the private sector and entrepreneurs to develop innovative, common-sense solutions to these challenges."**

**"Seven weeks from today, Virginians will choose who will lead our Commonwealth in Richmond. Bob McDonnell, Bill Bolling, and Ken Cuccinelli are the best choices to lead us and I'm focused on ensuring they win on November 3rd. After that, the 2010 elections will provide voters with an opportunity to elect much-needed, new leadership in Washington. I look forward to a positive, spirited campaign based on the issues that are important to the citizens of the 2nd District. "**

The full video can be seen at [www.scotttaylorforcongress.com](http://www.scotttaylorforcongress.com). Biography included on page two.

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## **BIOGRAPHY**

Scott Taylor's life is one defined by leadership, service and innovation. Scott was raised by a single mother in a small town of Hebron on the Eastern Shore. When he was 11 years old, he began paying taxes from his work on a local farm. During Scott's teenage years, his Big Brothers/Big Sisters mentor, Andrew Jones, had a profound influence in his life. Andy taught Scott everything from the importance of dinner table etiquette to how to choose stock options.

After high school, Scott enlisted in the U.S. Navy, became the youngest SEAL at the time at age 19. As a SEAL, Scott served throughout South and Central America where he gained a fluency in Spanish, built rapport with host nation militaries and leaders, and advanced U.S. interests. Scott also served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he was injured in a fall during a combat mission in 2005. Scott served over 8 years in the SEAL teams and spent 2 years teaching his fellow SEALs marksmanship and reconnaissance. While in the military, Scott started a small business and currently owns and operates a real estate brokerage company, a fitness center and a security consulting firm. Scott led a security mission that ensured the safety of U.S. citizens in Yemen during the Israel/Palestinian conflict in 2009.

Scott studied Government Contracting at Old Dominion University. He ran for Mayor of Virginia Beach in 2008 and performed well among many voting blocks.

Scott serves on the board of the UDT/SEAL Museum and the Virginia Beach Forum, an organization that seeks to promote civic discourse in Hampton Roads. He is a member of the UDT/Seal Association, the American Legion, and the VFW. Scott is the "Voice of Leadership" on Portfolio.com, a video blog affiliated with the *Virginian Pilot* that highlights examples of leadership and goodwill in Hampton Roads. He is active with the charity Operation Smile, serves as a mentor to an 11 year old, and attends Wave Church in Virginia Beach.

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