**DCCC Political Memo**

**To:                 Leader Pelosi**

**From:           DCCC Political Department – *Ian Russell, Political Director***

**Date:             November 12, 2014**

**Re:        AZ-02 status**

**Recount Update:** The race between Congressman Ron Barber and Republican challenger Martha McSally is headed for an automatic recount as vote tallying was generally completed yesterday. Barber trails by 133 votes in what is likely the closest congressional contest in state history.

In Pima County, 782 voters had their ballots rejected, and those votes have not been counted. During the legal recount process, the Barber campaign will seek to have as many of these counted as possible. Pima County is Barber’s home base.

This process is likely to stretch on into December.

**AZ-02 Recount Finance Update:**

* The projected recount budget is approximately $400,000.
* The campaign has raised $81,636 into their recount fund to date.
* Former Representative Gabby Giffords has maxed out to the Barber for Congress recount fund through her PAC Americans for Responsible Solutions.
* Former Representative Gabby Giffords has agreed to sign an email to Representative Ron Barber’s email list to help with recount fundraising.
* Please thank Former Representative Gabby Giffords for her efforts thus far and ask her to headline a fundraiser in Arizona on behalf of the Barber for Congress recount fund.

***Please note Americans for Responsible Solutions PAC spent $2,067,352.48 in the general election on behalf of Congressman Baber.***

***YOU contributed $14,000 to Barber for Congress in the 2014 election cycle; $10,000 from PAC to the future and $4,000 from Pelosi for Congress.***