

Name: Jack Bergman

Public Office Candidacy (Role Title): Congressman, U.S. House of Representatives, MI-01

Incumbent or New Candidate? Incumbent

1) Tell us why you are running for public office. What are your goals and vision? What qualifications do you bring to the role?

I proudly stand on my common-sense conservative record, and I will continue working every day to earn the votes and support of my District. This election is one of the most important of our lifetimes, and the work I've been doing for Veterans, securing our border, giving a voice to the working men and women of our District, and strengthening our military – that really speaks to the heart of why I'm running again for Congress. Prior to my time as a Representative of the First District, I served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 40 years and earned the rank of Lt. General, retiring in 2009. I also started and owned a medical equipment business before answering the call to serve my country through a new capacity – in Congress.

As a member of three committees, I'll continue advancing legislation through those committees to help stop the tax-and-spend policies of Democrats (Budget Committee), to ensure our Veterans receive the care they deserve (VA Committee), and to prioritize lethality over liberalism in our military (Armed Services Committee). I'll also continue to facilitate broadband expansion in our rural and remote District, bringing equity in connectivity to even more people in the region – we've made great progress in this particular battle, but we've got more to do.

2) Do you have experience as an elected official? If so, please tell us about that position and experience.

I have served in Congress from January 2017 – now, representing the First District of Michigan. My team and I have resolved more than 700 cases for constituents and returned more than \$27 million to them since Jan 2023 alone. I'm going to keep fighting for my constituents, helping them to navigate federal agencies and to have their voices heard by our federal legislature.

3) How would you describe your voting history since you registered as a voter? Have you previously voted for candidates affiliated with other parties? If so, please explain.

My values have always aligned with those of my party.

4) Please tell us about your activity as a Republican.

I have served as a Republican in Congress, pushing for limited government, individual liberty, and economic prosperity for everyone.

5) Describe experiences where you were engaged in service to others, such as not-for-profit organizations, clubs, churches, boards, etc.

I served my community in uniform for 40 years, and as a Representative, I've had the pleasure of helping and supporting many community events and important missions such as multiple Honor Flights.

6) You've indicated on your candidate affidavit that your party affiliation is Republican. Do you support all aspects of the Republican platform? Please elaborate.

I support the Republican platform completely. It's one of limited government, individual liberty, and peace through strength.

7) What is the purpose of government?

A government should be strong enough to perform necessary tasks for its people, including providing a robust military, yet limited enough to be subservient to those people. Our government should never be a nanny-state or a vehicle for tax-and-spend handouts. Instead, it should be responsive to the needs of the people in a minimally invasive way.

8) Please explain your view on upholding the Oath of Office.

I have sworn an oath to serve my Nation – both in uniform and in elected office. It's imperative that everyone who takes such a solemn vow should do everything they can to uphold it.

9) How will you make yourself available to constituents, if elected? What is your plan to ensure your constituents are heard and their concerns are addressed?

My constituents have always enjoyed an open-door policy with my office. They can reach out to us and expect an answer or assistance in a timely manner. Whether they are requesting a meeting with me or if they require casework, we always do what we can do respond promptly to them, because we all exist to serve the constituents of MI-01.

10) Please explain, in your own words, the role and responsibilities of the office you're seeking, and outline how you intend to address each of the primary duties of that office.

It is the responsibility of a representative to be beholden to those they were elected to serve. Passing vital legislation that will improve lives and being accessible to hear constituents' concerns is also par for the course. I have a track record of doing just that, and I'll continue fighting to improve the economic outlook, security, and overall prosperity for those I represent.