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The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords
Former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Arizona
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Hello, fellow Americans!

I'm Gabby Giffords. I was born in the great state of Arizona. I was born with grit. I grew up racing motorcycles, mucking stalls, and exploring the beautiful desert.

I fell for an astronaut. For five years, I served in Congress from a swing district. Everybody called me a rising star. Then, on January 8, 2011, a man tried to assassinate me. He shot 19 people. He killed six. A terrible, terrible day.

I almost died.

But I fought for my life, and I survived. I learned to walk again, one step at a time. I learned to talk again, one word at a time.

So many people helped me as I worked hard to recover—including a decent man from Delaware who always checked in on me. He still does. Thank you, Joe Biden. Thank you for everything. Joe is a great president.

And my friend Kamala will be a great president. She is tough. She has grit. Kamala can beat the gun lobby. She can fight gun trafficking. Kamala stood up to Wall Street and the drug companies. And she will protect abortion access.

She will defend our freedom. She will save lives.

Join me in voting for Kamala Harris. Thank you!

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