Dear friend of the Groton Democrats,

The 2020 election is coming. In less than 100 days we will go to the polls and elect Joe Biden, putting an end to the 4 year national nightmare of Donald Trump. The Groton Democrats are getting ready! The Covid pandemic has given us new challenges to surmount, but we are meeting this challenge.

HQ. We have a HQ at 88 Groton Shopping Plaza Rear (near the post office). We are determined that it will be a safe space for Democrats to gather. We are doing as much as we can out front, in open air. We are requiring masks inside. We are planning to open the back and front door, to promote air flow through the space. We have enough room inside to space ourselves. We will have sanitizing wipes and extra masks if needed. Starting August 1, we plan to be open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon. We will open up more as the election nears. As always we need volunteers to keep HQ open, make phone calls into swing states for Biden and make phone calls for Bob Statchen, Chris Conley, Joe Delacruz, Beth Leamon.

PARTY. We invite you to a HQ opening party on Sunday, August 16 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Since Covid does not seem to spread outside, we will be mostly out front in the parking lot. Please come and see how we're set up, meet our candidates, and hear what's coming.

CANDIDATES.

Bob Statchen and **Chris Conley** have qualified for state financing and are off to a strong start. **Joe DelaCruz** got an opponent late in the process, and is just now finishing up his fundraising. Donate if you can—\$5 donations from Groton or New London residents are especially desirable. You can donate here: https://secure.anedot.com/delacruz2020/donate **Joe Courtney** is our Democratic rock, and we need to assure that he has a big win. **Beth Leamon**, the endorsed Democrat running for Probate Judge needs our support for the primary and beyond.

Matt Geren has come forward to challenge Republican Mike France in Ledyard, Preston, Montville. If you can help him out, we can defeat a local right-wing Republican legislator. https://secure.anedot.com/matt-geren-2020/donate

We will have representatives from the **Joe Biden** campaign to fill you in on what we can do to help his campaign. We have ordered Biden lawn signs, which will be available soon for a small donation.

GDTC

Finally to donate to the GDTC online: https://secure.anedot.com/groton-democratic-town-committee/donate For more about the Groton DTC see us on Facebook (grotonctdemocrats), instagram (GrotonDems), twitter (@GrotonDems) or online (www.grotondems.org)