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Congressman Matt Rosendale Announces Run for U.S. Senate

Representative Matt Rosendale (R-Mont.) announced today that he is entering the race for Montana's U.S. Senate seat currently held by Senator Jon Tester.

Rosendale looks to flip the seat held by Tester, a Democrat, [and stated he would defeat his GOP primary opponent](#) Tim Sheehy, who he says was hand-picked by Senator Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.)



AP Images
Matt Rosendale

Mitch McConnell and the Uniparty have controlled the Senate for far too long and are the architects of a \$34 trillion debt.

It's time they understand that Montanans don't take orders from Washington, we send orders to Washington!

pic.twitter.com/cUoK9P4aV5

— Matt Rosendale
(@MattForMontana) [February 9, 2024](#)

Tester is one of the few remaining red-state Democratic U.S. Senators. With former President Donald Trump winning Montana by 16 percentage points in 2020, Tester's reelection bid will be difficult despite his [efforts to distance himself from President Joe Biden](#).

Gun Owners of America announced their [endorsement of Rosendale, stating on X](#), "Gun Owners of America is proud to endorse Matt Rosendale for U.S. Senate. @MattForMontana is a battle-tested patriot who will fight against anti-gun RINOs and Democrats trying to compromise your rights away in Washington."

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However, after Rosendale's announcement, [Trump announced his endorsement of Sheehy, saying on](#)



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I LOVE MONTANA! Tim Sheehy is an American Hero and highly successful Businessman from the Great State of Montana. He is strongly supported by our incredible Chairman of the NRSC, Steve Daines, and many other patriotic Senators and Republicans who have endorsed our Campaign to, MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN! I also respect Matt Rosendale, and was very happy to Endorse him in the past — and will Endorse him again in the future should he decide to change course and run for his Congressional Seat. But in this instance, Tim is the candidate who is currently best-positioned to DEFEAT Lazy Jon Tester, and Regain the Republican Majority in the United States Senate. Tim is a Political Outsider, Strong on the Border, the Military/Vets, and our constantly under siege Second Amendment. He will stand tall in the fight against the Radical Left Democrats, who are Destroying our Country. Also, he is far more likely to Defeat Lazy Jon. America First Patriot Tim Sheehy has my Complete and Total Endorsement!



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