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Senator Jon Ossoff endorses Tony Kozycki as new poll shows five-point swing in GA-07

Sen. Ossoff pledges full support at Sunday rally in Roswell as Kozycki gains ground with independents and moderates

Roswell, GA - A year ago, few political observers expected Georgia's 7th Congressional District to be competitive. But after months of campaigning across the district, Democrat Tony Kozycki is showing a path to victory against Republican incumbent Rich McCormick. On Sunday, U.S. Senator Jon Ossoff joined Kozycki at a campaign event in Roswell and pledged his full support, just as new polling shows a five-point shift toward Kozycki since August.

Sen. Ossoff praised Kozycki, a Naval Academy graduate who completed three combat deployments, for his military service and his current work as a local attorney defending constitutional rights.

"Tony has my full support and I am 100% behind him in this race. Let's get it done," Sen. Ossoff told the crowd.

The endorsement carries particular significance in North Metro Atlanta, where Sen. Ossoff launched his 2017 congressional campaign before Republican-led redistricting reshaped the region.

"After Rich McCormick lost to Carolyn Bourdeaux in 2020, Republicans redrew the map and handed him what they thought was a safe Republican seat," said Kozycki. "But here's what they forgot: You can redraw the lines, but you can't erase the voices of the people who live here. Voters deserve a representative who shows up, listens, and answers to them."

Now, new polling suggests cracks are forming in what was once safely Republican territory.

A new survey conducted by 20/20 Insight, LLC finds Kozycki leading McCormick 47% to 45%. In August, the same measure showed McCormick ahead 46% to 43%. That represents a five-point shift in the margin toward Kozycki in a matter of weeks.

The movement is especially notable among independent and moderate voters. Independents, including partisan leaners, shifted from favoring McCormick by 13 points in August to favoring Kozycki by nine points in October. Moderates moved from an even split to a 19-point Kozycki advantage. Women, who favored McCormick by nine points in August, are now evenly divided.

The October survey found that only 36% of likely voters view McCormick favorably, a surprisingly low number for an incumbent.

“That 36% didn't happen by accident,” said Kozycki. “Rich has blown off his district. Look at what happened at his Roswell town hall. Hundreds of frustrated neighbors showed up looking for answers about the direction of our country. McCormick told them, ‘I don't have to be here.’ Then he left. And we haven't seen him at another public town hall since. Don't take my word for it. Pull the tape. Watch that town hall, and ask yourself why only 36% of voters have a favorable opinion of him. People are tired of being ignored by someone whose job is to represent them.”

Kozycki also criticized McCormick's absence from the campaign's six-county debate series, arguing that elected officials have an obligation to answer directly to voters.

“Rich McCormick went on national television and said he wasn't worried about his reelection. He's refused to show up for a single one of our debates,” Kozycki said. “He acts like this seat belongs to him. It doesn't. It belongs to the people of Georgia's 7th District.”

Five debates have taken place without McCormick participating. The sixth and final debate, hosted by the North Fulton NAACP, is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, at 6:30 p.m. at St. James Church in Alpharetta. Both candidates have been invited.

“Every two years, the Constitution gives the American people the power to decide who represents them in Congress,” Kozycki said. “That's a job interview. You don't get to skip the interview because you think the job is already yours.”

With early voting beginning October 13, the race enters its final weeks as Kozycki launches a new paid media campaign, backed by fresh polling showing a five-point shift toward and a high-profile endorsement from Senator Ossoff.

Methodology: 20/20 Insight, LLC surveyed 457 likely voters in Georgia's 7th Congressional District from October 6–9, 2026. The margin of error is $\pm 4.6\%$ at the 95% confidence level. Baseline results are from a survey of 445 likely voters conducted August 20–26, 2026 (margin of error $\pm 4.7\%$).

About Tony Kozycki: Tony Kozycki is a dad, Naval Academy graduate, and attorney running to represent Georgia's 7th Congressional District. A former naval flight officer who completed three combat deployments in the F/A-18 fighter jet and earned three Air Medals, Tony went on to earn his law degree summa cum laude and build a career fighting for Georgia families. He is the Democratic nominee for GA-07, having won the runoff with nearly 70% of the vote and carried every county in the district.

Background Links:

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