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Family-Focused Executive Director and Activist First to Challenge Cory Gardner in 2020 Senate Race

Lorena Garcia, Executive Director at Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition, has announced her bid for 2020 U.S. Senate

Denver, Colo.--Lorena Garcia, Executive Director at Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition, has announced that she will challenge Cory Gardner for his seat in the U.S. Senate 2020 race. The first to announce a challenging bid for U.S. Senate, Garcia has been supporting vulnerable communities throughout Colorado for more than a decade.

Garcia is running on a platform with a core focus on economic equity for all, the cornerstone of which includes access to healthcare and education. As a veteran organizer, Garcia supports women's rights, funding for public transportation and civil rights protections for women's reproductive independence.

"It's time for a new voice in the U.S. Senate," said Garcia. "We are at a crossroads in our history where we can no longer accept the status quo and must take action to fix our broken government systems. I'm running because we need innovative leaders who will work on behalf of the interests of every Coloradan, not for political self-interest."

Dedicated to serving nonprofit organizations over her entire career, Garcia has acted as Executive Director of Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition since March of this year. Garcia has also served as Executive Director for Namlo International since 2017. Namlo is an international nonprofit organization that works in Nepal and Nicaragua, supporting local communities to achieve economic self-sufficiency through grassroots development projects.

Tirelessly working toward uplifting the dignity of marginalized communities, Garcia served as the Executive Director of the Colorado Organization For Latina Opportunity and reproductive Rights and prior to that as the Colorado State Director of 9to5, National Association for Working Women.

As a 7th generation Coloradan on her father's side and first generation on her mother's side, Garcia's family background mirrors the diversity families represent in Colorado and across the country. She is the youngest of six siblings and aunt to 16 nieces and nephews and has been married to her wife for seven years.

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