

Michael Kotick is a New Generation leader. At 33, the Southern California native and Laguna Beach resident has developed and managed over \$1 billion dollars in business, while skyrocketing through the ranks of Fortune 100 giant Nestlé to become one of its youngest executives. Michael is also author of an innovative new book on business development in a digital and social media age.

Declaring his Democratic candidacy for California's 48th Congressional District (Orange County), Michael Kotick brings a refreshingly honest voice to his District:

"No wall is tall enough to protect America from needing to advance in a complex world. Orange County is a shining example of our nation's strength, and we should stand united for a better future."

Michael Kotick's long-standing interest in business and public policy is built upon a formal economics education and includes two postgraduate degrees -- an MBA in Marketing and Finance from Michigan State University's Eli Broad College of Business, and a Masters in Global Management from the Thunderbird School of Global Management. He also has a Behavioral Economics Certification from Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

In almost every year of business and schooling, Michael Kotick has received accolades for his leadership. He created a pioneering Orange County corporate partnership that guarantees job interviews for US Army Veterans when challenged to help solve an automotive industry labor shortage. He co-founded a new chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. He was Student Body President in high school, Class President at Michigan State University, Student Body President while receiving his MBA, and helped his team win a Division One Big 10 Soccer Championship.

At this critical time, Michael Kotick is inspired to public service. Encouraged by fellow business leaders, colleagues and family, he now asks Orange County voters to join his Congressional campaign to best represent the values and interests of California's 48th District.