

Aiming high

Steve Van Grack goes for Connie Morella's Congress seat

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With a voting population that is 53 percent Democratic, placing a party member in a congressional seat should be relatively easy.

But that isn't the case in Montgomery County, where U.S. Rep. Connie Morella has been a dominant political force for eight years.

Steve Van Grack thinks he can change that. He won every precinct during the Democratic primary, earning the right to face Morella in November for the

District 8 seat. With recent polls saying the nation is unhappy with a Congress that seems to be at odds with itself, Van Grack is calling for a change in the way government does business.

"America is just upset with Congress, yet they don't take it out on their individual congressional representatives," said Van Grack. "They think their own representative is great because they have these wonderful staffs and they provide great constituent services."

A county resident for 37 years, Van Grack has already made several appearances on

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Steve Van Grack, a former Rockville mayor and the Democratic nominee for the 8th Congressional District, believes he can unseat eight-year incumbent Connie Morella.