

FL-28: Phil Ehr Calls on Rep. Carlos Gimenez to Demand Resignation of FL GOP Chair Christian Ziegler Amid Rape Scandal; 'There Can Be No Place in Politics For Those Who Abuse Women.'

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MIAMI – Democratic Congressional candidate Phil Ehr on Monday called on Congressman Carlos Gimenez to return any contributions from and demand the resignation of the Florida Republican Party Chair Christian Ziegler, who has credibly been accused of sexual assault.

Ehr is a retired U.S. Navy commander and a candidate for Florida's 28th Congressional District.

Following is his statement on the developing Ziegler scandal, which also has involved credible allegations that [include](#) his anti-LGBTQ wife Bridget Ziegler:

"The head of the Florida Republican Party has credibly been accused of rape, just like Donald Trump. Congressman Carlos Gimenez has been silent on these shocking allegations. He must join other Florida Republicans like Ron DeSantis and demand Ziegler's resignation, as well as return any campaign money the Zieglers have directed to his campaign.

"There can be no place in politics for those who abuse women. And it is clear there is a through-line from bigotry to abuse: Bridget Ziegler's so-called "Moms For Liberty" has unjustly persecuted Florida's LGBTQ youth in a way that goes against my faith tradition and cries to the Anger of Heaven.

"Congressman Gimenez has long been silent on the raft of credible accusations of abuse and assault of women against Donald Trump, which have been proven by triers of fact. We don't know yet just what Christian Ziegler has done and he deserves his day in court. What he does NOT deserve is to lead Florida's Republicans in coordination with his wife's hate group. Congressman Gimenez is obligated to speak out now, when it matters. Christian Ziegler must resign or be removed."

