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SHAFIQ ABDUSSABUR RELEASE SECOND QUARTER CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING TOTALS

Monday July 12, 2021, (New Haven, CT) Shafiq Fulcher Abdussabur's campaign "A Better Beaver Hills" has raised \$3,785.00 in the second quarter bringing the total of \$12,143.00 in contributions raised so far. Abdussabur, a New Haven native and Beaver Hills homeowner of 23 years, first announced his 2021 candidacy for Ward-28 Alder on February 15, 2021.

Abdussabur remains committed to working hard to restore community trust, rebuild community wellness, and promote community equity. He has spoken with over 950 voters, attended various city and community meetings regarding issues that have a direct impact on the businesses, residents, renters, and homeowners of Ward-28. Abdussabur has been very vocal on neighborhood safety regarding shootings, traffic calming, blight and property thefts. He has been fiercely outspoken regarding the increasing gun violence in the city. Abdussabur said, "We all want to feel safe and be safe. We all have the right to feel safe and be safe. We deserve Safety regardless of our race, religion, ethnicity, gender, economic class, educational status, or who we may know. We want safety in our communities! We want safety on our streets! We want to live safely in our homes!"

The \$3,785.00 raised in this second quarter is a reflection of people embracing Abdussabur's campaign message which is focused on Safety, Community and Leadership. "A Better Beaver Hills" is a message and a vision for community wellness that all residents can have confidence that I will be an Alder who can deliver effective solutions that will make the community better for everyone. My team and I are humbled by the dedication from all our supporters, friends, family, and neighbors. Our campaign's success is made possible because of the hard work, commitment and dedication from our large and diverse support base."

Shafiq Abdussabur was recognized as New Haven Independent's 2007 "Man of the Year." In 2015, the African American Affairs Commission (AAAC) awarded him "Man of the Year." He was a panel speaker with Representative John Lewis at the 2016 Democratic National Convention on the theme "Disarm Hate: The Role of Guns in Hate Crimes." Abdussabur is a community advocate for gun violence prevention, legislative police reform, entrepreneurship, job growth, and youth mentorship. He is an accomplished visual artist and published author. Most notably, he is a husband, father to four children, and a new grandfather.

"I am seeking election because I understand the responsibilities of being a champion of change for the residents and businesses. I recognize that the duties of Ward-28 Alder cannot be taken lightly, and they must be given the day-to-day attention that they deserve. It's time for A Better Beaver Hills!"

Abdussabur will hold a virtual "Beaver Hills Table Talk" every Thursday on Facebook Live 6:00 pm EST. The public may join using this link <https://www.facebook.com/VoteShafiq2021/>