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Joe Donnelly is the congressman from Indiana's 2<sup>nd</sup> District. As a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, he is a Democrat committed to a moderate agenda that includes fiscal discipline and strong national security. He is also on three committees that meet the diverse needs of Indiana's 2<sup>nd</sup> District: Financial Services, Agriculture and Veterans' Affairs.

Joe was born on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 1955. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a B.A. in Government in 1977. Joe also graduated from the University of Notre Dame Law School in 1981.

Joe was a member of the law firm of Nemeth, Feeny and Masters in South Bend where he conducted a general practice. Joe also operated a small business, which was located in Mishawaka, Indiana.

In addition to his careers in law and small business, Joe has maintained an active presence in public service. From 1988 to 1989, he worked with both parties to ensure fair and accurate election results by serving on the Indiana State Election Board. Joe was also a member of the School Board for Mishawaka Marian High School from 1997 to 2001, serving as President during the 2000 – 2001 term.

Joe lives in Granger with his wife Jill. They have been married for 26 years. Together they have two children, Molly and Joseph Jr. They are members of St. Anthony de Padua Parish, where Joe served as chairman of the Bishop's Appeal Campaign from 1994 to 1996.