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## **Connie Leyva Forges Ahead with Support from Ironworkers**

Chino, CA—Representing more than 30,000 members, Ironworkers Locals 433 and 416 have endorsed Connie Leyva for re-election to the California State Senate.

“Connie Leyva knows that Ironworkers put their sweat and pride into every bridge, skyscraper, and residential structure we build. In our communities and in the legislature, Connie stands with the men and women who put in the hard work to provide for our families,” said Piedmont Brown, President of Ironworkers Local 433 and Marco Frausto, President of Ironworkers Local 416.

Secretary of State Alex Padilla, Civil rights leader and co-founder of the UFW Dolores Huerta, and the State Building & Construction Trades Council of California also recently announced their endorsements of Connie Leyva for State Senate.

Connie has been at the forefront of some of the most important legislative victories for California workers including: permanently extending overtime for domestic workers, heat protection for warehouse workers, increasing the minimum wage, and improving career technical education opportunities for high school and community college students.

In the State Senate, Connie serves as Chair of the Democratic Caucus, and on the Education, Health, Public Employment and Retirement committees. She also serves on the Senate Select Committees on California-Mexico Cooperation, Manufactured Home Communities, Ports & Goods Movement and Women and Inequality: Strategies to Promote Opportunity.

From her days working at her local Alpha Beta market in high school to today, Connie has fought for working people and families her entire life. She helped grocery workers organize for fair wages and benefits as both Union Representative and President of the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 1428. Connie was elected in 2004 as the first woman President of the California Labor Federation, representing more than 2.1 million workers throughout California.

Growing up in the Inland Empire, Connie attended local schools and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Redlands. Connie and her husband Al live in Chino and have two successful adult daughters, Allie and Jessie.

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