

GAVIN NEWSOM EMERGES AS CLEAR FAVORITE IN CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S CONVENTION VOTE

Newsom wins 39% of party vote, beating all candidates Villaraigosa received a near total repudiation from his party, earning just 9% of his party members' support

SAN DIEGO -- Today, the California Democratic Party selected Gavin Newsom as it's clear favorite for Governor. Newsom was the leading vote-getter in the conventions official endorsement vote, leading a four-candidate field with 39% of the vote.

"California Democrats came together today and chose a bold agenda for our future," said Gavin. "I'm honored to have the support of my fellow Democrats - and the people-powered grassroots momentum that comes with it."

While each of the other candidates received a fraction of Gavin's total, Antonio Villaraigosa faced a near total repudiation from the party he has spent decades cultivating. He earned just 9% of the party's vote and was <u>repeatedly booed</u> at convention events for his history of attacks on teachers and organized labor.

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