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SCOTT SVONKIN WINS NEARLY 3X AS MANY VOTES AS OPPONENT AT DEM CONVENTION

Svonkin finished a decisive first place at the California Democratic Party Convention over the weekend in his race for BOE

LOS ANGELES, CA -- Building on his tremendous momentum so far in his campaign for State Board of Equalization, Scott Svonkin won a resounding victory on Saturday night, winning the most votes at the California Democratic Party's annual Convention by nearly a

30 point margin - earning 47% of the vote to his opponent's 18%.

The California Board of Equalization is the only California Democratic Party office that is not elected statewide but is voted on by all of the party's roughly 3,000 statewide delegates. As such, it is nearly impossible for any candidate to reach the 60% required to earn the party's endorsement outright. While no BOE candidate in any of the state's BOE races earned the party's endorsement, Svonkin won by the biggest margin of any contested BOE candidate in any of the state's BOE districts.

Svonkin and much of his extended family spent the convention shaking hands, talking to delegates, and organizing the grassroots. Svonkin released the following statement on the results:

"Thank you fellow Democratic activists! I am thrilled and gratified to receive the support of such a large number of the people who are working every day to move California forward in a more progressive direction. I am so grateful to everybody who helped work for this outcome, but especially my wife, my kids, my mom, and my numerous other family members who made the long drive down to San Diego because they believed in the movement we're building. Just like we won the most votes this weekend, we are going to win the race for Board of Equalization by working harder than every other candidate, and by talking about our message: Reforming the BOE, cracking down on corporate tax cheats so we can fund our schools, and shining a bright light on the underground economy. I am beyond grateful to have earned the support of over 1,200 grassroots delegates who made their voices heard, and I am proud to be the choice of so many grassroots Democratic activists and clubs."

On Saturday, Svonkin released a new campaign ad, titled, "Fix," [which can be viewed here](#) or by clicking the image below:



Svonkin has lined up wide-ranging support from the following organizations and individuals:

Organizations

- Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC)
 - Southern California Alliance of Law Enforcement (SCALE)
 - Los Angeles County Professional Peace Officers Association (PPOA)
 - State Building & Construction Trades Council of California
 - Los Angeles/Orange County Building & Construction Trades Council
 - Service Employees International Union (SEIU) California State Council
 - Teamsters Joint Council 42
 - National Union of Healthcare Workers (NUHW)
 - UNITE HERE Local 11
 - International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 11
 - Southern California Pipe Trades District Council 16
 - Operating Engineers Local 501
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- California State Council of Laborers
- Southern California District Council of Laborers
- CAL Fire 2881
- Laborers Local 300
- Teamsters local 911
- Teamsters Local 396
- International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) 33
- International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) 80
- United Association (UA) Local 250 Pipe Fitters
- Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters
- California College Democrats
- Miracle Mile Democratic Club
- California State University, Northridge Young Democratic Club
- Southern California Armenian Democrats (SCAD)
- Pilipino American Los Angeles Democrats (PALAD)
- Democrats for Israel - Los Angeles
- San Fernando Valley Young Democrats
- Pierce College Democrats
- Simi Valley Democratic Club
- Channel Island Democrats
- Democratic Club of Camarillo
- Burbank Democratic Club
- West Hollywood/Beverly Hills Democratic Club
- Tri Counties Democratic Club
- Democratic Women's Study Club of Long Beach
- Torrance Democratic Club
- Moorpark Democratic Club

Elected & Community Leaders

- U.S. Congressman Alan Lowenthal
 - U.S. Congressman Ro Khanna
 - U.S. Congressman Pete Aguilar
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- U.S. Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard
 - U.S. Congressman Lou Correa
 - U.S. Congresswoman Grace Napolitano
 - U.S. Congressman Juan Vargas
 - U.S. Congressman Jimmy Gomez
 - U.S. Congressman Jimmy Panetta
 - U.S. Congresswoman Diane Watson (Ret.)
 - California Board of Equalization Member Fiona Ma
 - California Board of Equalization Member Johan M. Klehs (Ret.)
 - California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon
 - California Assembly Speaker Emeritus John A. Pérez
 - California State Assembly Speaker Emeritus and Past San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown
 - California Assembly Speaker Emeritus and current State Senator Bob Hertzberg
 - California Assembly Speaker Emeritus Fabian Nunez
 - State President Pro Tempore-Elect Toni Atkins, California Speaker Emeritus
 - State Senator Ricardo Lara
 - State Senator Dr. Ed Hernandez
 - State Senator Josh Newman
 - State Senator Connie Leyva
 - State Senator Ben Allen
 - State Assembly Member Reggie Jones-Sawyer
 - State Assembly Majority Leader Ian Calderon
 - State Assembly Member Miguel Santiago, also a former President Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees
 - State Assembly Member Lorena Gonzalez-Fletcher
 - State Assembly Member Rob Bonta
 - State Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi
 - State Assembly Member Ed Chau
 - State Assembly Member Richard Bloom
 - State Assembly Member Rob Bonta
 - State Assembly Member David Chiu
 - State Assembly Member Ash Kalra
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- State Assembly Member Kansen Chu
 - State Assembly Member Todd Gloria
 - State Assembly Member Patrick O'Donnell
 - State Assembly Minority Leader Richard Katz (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
 - Democratic National Committee Vice Chair and UNITE HERE International Vice Chair Maria Elena Durazo
 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn
 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis
 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Yvonne Burke (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky (Ret.)
 - L.A. City Controller Ron Galperin
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Paul Koretz
 - Los Angeles City Council Member David Ryu
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Jose Huizar
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Mitch O'Farrell
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Mike Bonin
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Richard Alatorre (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Mike Hernandez (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Joel Wachs (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Ed Reyes (Ret.)
 - Los Angeles City Council Member Tom LaBonge (Ret.)
 - California Democratic Party African American Caucus Chair Darren Parker
 - Los Angeles County Democratic Party Chair Jimmie Woods-Gray (Ret.)
 - Mike Eng, former LACCD Board Member and former State Assembly Member
 - Mike Fong, LACCD Board Member
 - Donald LaPlante, Downey Unified School District Board Member, Former President Los Angeles County School Trustees Association
 - Phil Hu, San Gabriel Unified School Board Member (Ret.)
 - Dr. Armond Aghakhanian, Burbank Unified School Board Member
 - Satra Zurita, Compton School Board President
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- Micah Ali, former Compton School Board President & former president L.A. County School Trustee Association
- David Vela, Montebello Unified School Board Member (Ret.)
- Henry Lo, Garvey School Board Member
- John Paul Drayer, Cerritos Community College Board Member
- Anthony R. Fellow, Pasadena Community College Trustee
- Joe Probst, Vice President Charter Oak Unified School District & Former President L.A. County School Trustee Association
- John Hanna, Board member Rancho Santiago Community College District
- Edgar Cisneros, Montebello Unified School Board Member
- Laura Santos, Rio Hondo College Board Member

Svonkin was first elected to serve on the LACCD board in 2011 and was re-elected in 2015. Before being elected to the LACCD, he served on the San Gabriel Unified School District Board.

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