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Gavin Newsom Endorses Connie Leyva for State Senate

Chino, CA—Connie Leyva’s campaign for re-election to the state Senate announced today an endorsement from Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom.

“Connie Leyva fights for Californians who are working the hardest to get ahead in today’s economy,” said Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom. **“I’m proud to stand**

with Connie in creating more opportunities for working families to reach the middle class.”

Connie Leyva grew up and raised her family in the Inland Empire, where she started working at her local grocery market, put herself through college, and was elected to represent her co-workers as president of their union. She was later elected as the first female president of the 2.1 million member California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO.

As the daughter of a grocery store clerk and a teacher’s aide who earned her college degree while working, Connie has never forgotten the importance of creating economic fairness and opportunities for working people. That’s why 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.

Connie has also led on strengthening the voice of women on the job and in our communities. Connie has passed laws removing limitations on prosecuting rape and mandating pay equity in the workplace. She is working to ban secret settlements in sexual assault cases and ensure that college students have access on campus to medicated abortion services.

First elected to state Senate District 20 in 2014, Connie is running for re-election on the June 5, 2018 ballot. She and her husband, Al, live in Chino and have two successful adult daughters, Allie and Jessie.

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