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LONG BEACH POLICE OFFICERS ENDORSE LENA GONZALEZ FOR STATE SENATE

LONG BEACH, CA – Continuing to outperform her opponents in the race to win key endorsements, today Long Beach City Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez announced the endorsement of the Long Beach Police Officers Association (LBPOA) in her campaign for State Senate.

Established in 1940, the LBPOA represents over 800 dedicated and professional officers, sergeants, and lieutenants of the Long Beach Police Department.

"Councilmember Gonzalez has a proven record of supporting public safety and providing our officers with the resources needed to keep our neighborhoods safe," said Jim Foster, President of the LBPOA. "She has consistently worked to build bridges with stakeholders from all

aspects of our community, and we believe she will do a tremendous job representing California's 33rd State Senate District."

"Having the support of the women and men of the Long Beach Police Officers Association demonstrates the broad and expanding support that my campaign has continued to maintain throughout this race," said Gonzalez. "I am incredibly grateful for their support. These women and men who risk their lives on a daily basis in order to protect the public in return deserve only the best representation in the California State Senate."

The LBPOA joins the following who have previously announced their endorsements of Gonzalez's campaign:

Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara

Congressman Alan Lowenthal

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn

Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis

Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia

Local Elected Officials

Long Beach Councilmember Suja Lowenthal (ret.)

Long Beach Councilmember Jeannine Pearce

Long Beach Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga (ret.)

Long Beach Councilmember Rex Richardson

Long Beach Councilmember Roberto Uranga

Long Beach CCD Trustee Vivian Malauulu

Long Beach CCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk

Long Beach CCD Trustee Sunny Zia

Long Beach USD Board Member Dr. Juan Benitez

Long Beach USD Board Member Diana Craighead

Long Beach USD Board Member Megan Kerr

Downey Mayor Fernando Vasquez (ret.)

Huntington Park Vice Mayor Karina Macias

Huntington Park Councilmember Manuel "Manny" Avila

Huntington Park Councilmember Graciela Ortiz

Huntington Park Councilmember Marilyn Sanabria

Lakewood Councilmember Jeff Wood

Los Angeles City Councilwoman Nury Martinez

Los Angeles Community College District Trustee Dr. Gabriel Buelna

Norwalk-La Mirada USD Board Member Jesse Urquidi

Paramount Mayor Diane J. Martinez

Rolling Hills Mayor Patrick Wilson

Signal Hill Councilmember Larry Forester

South Gate Councilmember Gil Hurtado (ret.)

Water Replenishment District of So. CA Board Member Rob Katherman

State Legislators

State Senator Scott Wiener

Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez

Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell

Organizations Representing Working Women and Men

California Services Employees International Union (SEIU)

International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 952

International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 13

International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 63

International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 94

Ironworkers Local 433

Long Beach Firefighters Local 372

Painters & Allied Trades International Union District Council 36

Plumbers Local 78

Southern California Pipe Trades District Council 16

Teamsters Local 63

United Association Local 250

United Food & Commercial Workers International Union Local 324

Unite-HERE Local 11

Other Organizations

CA Latino Legislative Caucus

Gonzalez is running to replace Ricardo Lara, who resigned to serve as California's 6th elected Insurance Commissioner. Lara has endorsed Gonzalez to replace him in the California State Senate.

A primary election will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019. If a run-off is needed, the run-off election will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019.

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Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez has served on the Long Beach City Council since 2014 representing Downtown Long Beach and surrounding communities. She serves as Vice Chair of the city's State Legislative Committee and Chair of the Harbor and Tidelands Committee.

Gonzalez lives in Downtown Long Beach with her fiancé and life partner, Adam, and their three sons. She graduated with a B.A. in Political

Science from Cal State Long Beach and an MBA from Loyola Marymount University. Currently employed with Microsoft, she focuses on issues around digital inclusion, tech equity and criminal justice reform.

The 33rd District includes the cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Long Beach, Lynwood, Maywood, Paramount, Signal Hill, South Gate, Vernon, portions of the City of Los Angeles and the unincorporated communities of Florence and Walnut Park.

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