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FOLEY NAILS DOWN BACKING OF LA/OC BUILDING TRADES

*Mayor Scores Pivotal Endorsement from Heavy-Hitter Labor
Organization in Race for 37th State Senate District Seat*

COSTA MESA, CA – Injecting a major jolt of momentum into her campaign for State Senate District 37, today Costa Mesa Mayor Katrina Foley secured a sought-after endorsement from the Los Angeles/Orange County Building and Construction Trades Council.

Representing over 100,000 skilled workers, the Los Angeles/Orange County Building and Construction Trades Council is the umbrella organization that serves 48 local labor unions and district councils, in 14 trades. In making public their endorsement of Katrina Foley, Ernesto Medrano, Council Representative for the Los Angeles/Orange County Building and Construction Trades Council, wrote a letter to the Mayor's State Senate campaign, which stated:

"Dear. Ms. Foley:

"I am happy to confirm that the Los Angeles/Orange County Building and Construction Trades Council Business Managers have endorsed your election for the 37th State Senate race in 2020.

"After reviewing your public experience and your commitment to working families, we think you will be a great asset when you are elected. Your experience will benefit all of the citizens, including all or portions of Anaheim, Corona Del Mar, Costa Mesa, El Toro, Foothill Ranch, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Newport Beach, Orange, Tustin and Villa Park.

"The Building Trades Craft Unions are proud to support your campaign."

Today's announcement follows news earlier this week that Mayor Foley received the powerful backing of the California State Council of Laborers (LiUNA).

Since entering the race for State Senate District 37, Costa Mesa Mayor Katrina Foley has built up a far-reaching coalition of support from local, state and federal leaders, organizations that represent women, classroom teachers, working families and more. Her latest list of endorsements include the

following leaders and groups:

Organizations:

- Los Angeles/Orange County Building and Construction Trades Council
- California State Council of Laborers (LiUNA)
- United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 324
- Newport-Mesa Federation of Teachers 1794 COPE
- Women In Leadership (WIL)
- Laborers (LiUNA) Local 652
- Laborers (LiUNA) Local 300
- Iron Workers Local 433
- International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 36
- International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 12
- United Association (UA) Local 582 Plumbers and Steamfitters

Elected & City Leaders:

- U.S. Congressman Harley Rouda
 - U.S. Congresswoman Linda Sanchez
 - State Senator and Chair of the California Legislative Women's
Caucus, Connie Leyva
 - State Assemblymember Cottie Petrie-Norris
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- State Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva
 - Costa Mesa Mayor Libby Cowan (Ret.)
 - Costa Mesa Mayor Linda Dixon (Ret.)
 - Huntington Beach Mayor Debbie Cook (Ret.)
 - Huntington Beach City Mayor Keith Bohr (Ret.)
 - Laguna Beach Mayor Paul Freeman (Ret.)
 - Costa Mesa Mayor Pro Tem John Stephens
 - Anaheim City Councilmember and former Anaheim Union High School District Trustee Jordan Brandman
 - Costa Mesa City Councilmember Arlis Reynolds
 - Costa Mesa City Councilmember Manuel Chavez
 - Costa Mesa City Councilmember Andrea Marr
 - Huntington Beach City Councilmember Jill Hardy
 - Huntington Beach City Councilmember Kim Carr
 - Huntington Beach City Councilmember Connie Boardman (Ret.)
 - Huntington Beach City Councilmember Joe Shaw (Ret.)
 - Huntington Beach Ocean View School District Board of Trustees Vice President Gina Clayton-Tarvin
 - Irvine Mayor Beth Krom (Ret.)
 - Irvine City Councilmember Melissa Fox
 - Irvine Community Services Commission Chair Lauren Johnson-Norris
 - Laguna Beach City Councilmember Sue Kempf
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- Laguna Beach City Councilmember Peter Blake
- Anaheim Community Services Board Commissioner Ashleigh E. Aitken
- Costa Mesa Planning Commissioner Jeff Harlan*
- Costa Mesa Planning Commissioner Carla Navarro Woods *
- Costa Mesa Parks Commission Chair Liz McNabb*
- Costa Mesa Parks Commissioner Leah Erhslyo*
- Costa Mesa Parks Commissioner, UCI Student & ASUCI President's Chief of Staff, Boardmember Democrats of Greater Irvine, Cassius Rutherford*
- Coast Community College District Board of Trustees' President Lorraine Prinsky
- Coast Community College District Board of Trustees' Vice President Jerry Patterson, also former U.S. Congressman and past Mayor of Santa Ana
- Coast Community College District Board of Trustees' Clerk Jim Moreno
- Coast Community College District Board of Trustees' Member Mary Hornbuckle, also former Costa Mesa Mayor

Community Leaders:

- South Orange County Labor Chair, Raymond Cordova*
 - Democratic Foundation of Orange County Chair, Dan Jacobson*
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- Democratic Foundation of Orange County Vice Chair, Michael Penn*
- California State University Fullerton (CSUF) Professor Dr. Scott Spitzer
- Dr. Marc Lerner
- Rabbi Marcia Tilchin
- Olive Tree Initiative's Susan Seely*

In 2018, Foley ran a successful citywide campaign in Costa Mesa - which represents 10.1% of voters in the 37th Senate District - garnering a substantial 59.5% of the citywide vote. Helping propel her triumph is the fact that for the first time in its 60-year history, Costa Mesa's voter registration numbers now show more registered Democrats than any other political party within the city. Significantly in 2016, Hillary Clinton defeated Donald Trump by 6-points in SD-37, winning 50% to 44%, which underscores the ripe opportunity to flip this Senate seat red-to-blue.

Katrina Foley is a community leader, successful businesswoman, working mom and attorney who became Costa Mesa's first directly elected Mayor in November 2018. Foley also served as Mayor in 2016-2017, and has been on the Costa Mesa City Council for 10 years. Previously, she served on the Newport Mesa Unified School District Board of Trustees from November 2010 to November 2014.

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Paid for by Foley for Senate 2020.

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