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SMITH ENDORSED BY LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS IN ASSEMBLY RE-ELECTION BID

Ventura County Professional Firefighters Association Unites Behind Assemblywoman Christy Smith's AD-38 Campaign

SANTA CLARITA, CA -- In a reflection of her support from emergency responders in her 2020 re-election bid to continue representing California's 38th State Assembly District, today Assemblywoman Christy Smith was endorsed by the Ventura County Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 3431.

In a statement released following the announced endorsement, VCPFA President Kevin Aguayo remarked:

"The Ventura County Professional Firefighters Association is proud to endorse Assemblywoman Christy Smith for re-election. She understands that firefighters are an integral part of our public safety system and has been a fearless champion for emergency responders in Sacramento. Through her work in the community and as Chair of the Emergency Management Committee, Christy has also been instrumental in ensuring the 38th District is more prepared when the next disaster strikes. We are 100% behind Assemblywoman Smith, and look forward to helping her campaign."

Recently, Smith's campaign announced that it has brought in a sizable \$429,869 for the first fundraising report, with a substantial \$369,444 cash-onhand.

Since being elected, Assemblywoman Smith has chaired a "<u>hearing on wildfire</u> <u>preparedness</u>." She has also advanced a range of common sense focused legislation, ranging from education investments to <u>supporting disabled veterans</u> <u>business programs</u>, to healthcare access, expanding equality for women and men, as well as bolstering in job creation and giving law enforcement and firefighters the tools and resources they need to keep local communities safe.

In 2018, Smith became the first Democrat to represent the communities of Assembly District 38 since 1978, defeating her opponent by over 5,400 votes. Significantly, the 38th State Assembly District now has a Democratic voter registration advantage, with 3,176 more registered Democrats than Republicans.

Prior to serving in the California State Assembly, Smith served as President of the Newhall School Board.

For more information please visit: <u>https://www.christysmithforassembly.com/</u>

Paid for by Christy Smith for Assembly 2020

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