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LONG BEACH LEADERS JOIN ASM. MIKE GIPSON'S RE- ELECTION CAMPAIGN

Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia Along With Councilmembers Dee Andrews, Al Austin, and Rex Richardson Are Among the First to Endorse Assemblymember Mike Gipson in AD-64

CARSON, CA– Shortly after launching his re-election campaign in Assembly District 64, today Assemblymember Mike Gipson earned crucial support from the Mayor of Long Beach and three Long Beach City Councilmembers. Those announcing their support today are as follows:

- Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia
- Long Beach Councilmember Dee Andrews
- Long Beach Councilmember Rex Richardson
- Long Beach Councilmember Al Austin

In addition to his endorsement, Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia released the following statement:

“I am very proud to endorse Assemblymember Mike Gipson’s re-election campaign. Throughout his career, Mike has been a leader on a wide variety of issues including addressing homelessness, expanding access to healthcare, and improving the quality of our education system. I look forward to his continued work moving Long Beach, the 64th Assembly District, and California forward.”

First elected in 2014, Mike Gipson represents the 64th District in the California State Assembly. Since 2016, Gipson has also served as Assembly Democratic Caucus Chair. In this capacity he has been responsible for driving the legislative

decision-making process in the Assembly.

During his Assembly tenure, Gipson has been a leader on a wide variety of issues, authoring laws that improved the quality of education, expanded access to healthcare, addressed homelessness, and enacted sensible criminal justice reform. Gipson also helped champion the Legislature's successful efforts to pass a groundbreaking transportation package focused on infrastructure improvements, as well as the extension of California's historic cap and trade program.

Before being elected to the Assembly, Gipson was a Carson City Council Member and local police officer, and has led local nonprofits to help at-risk youth stay engaged in school and off the streets. Gipson also previously served as a community organizer for the United Teachers of Los Angeles (UTLA) to protect teachers and parents and prepare LA's students for the jobs of tomorrow. As a local Councilmember, Gipson protected funding for neighborhood schools, hospitals, and public safety services.

Gipson grew up in Watts, where his parents raised him to know the importance of faith, a good education, and most critically, the importance of giving back to your community. Gipson currently lives in Carson with his wife Le Cresha. They have two sons, Devon and Jordan along with their two grandchildren; Faafetai Ole Alofa, and Cataleya Acevedo Gipson.

For more information, please visit: www.mikegipson.net

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