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Susan Christopher Launches AD-38 Bid With Christy Smith's Endorsement

Local Non-Profit Director and Former Castaic School Board Member Kicks Off Campaign With Incumbent Assemblywoman's Support

SANTA CLARITA, CA -- Today, Susan Christopher, a local non-profit director of LoveSCV, former Castaic School Board Member and former educator, formally announced her campaign for California State Assembly District 38 in the upcoming March 2020 election. She begins her campaign with the endorsement of incumbent California State Assemblywoman Christy Smith.

In formally launching her campaign, Christopher released the following statement:

"I was honored and humbled when I was approached by our State Assemblywoman Christy Smith about running for her seat. It's clear that Christy has done an extraordinary job representing the people of the 38th District. She has effectively gotten past partisan politics to really get the work of our district done. I want to be sure that continues for our district when Christy is elected to serve in Congress."

Christopher added:

"I spent nine years on the Castaic school board, as well as several years as a local teacher, advocating for issues in education on the local and state level. Now, with my nonprofit, I've been working to help connect the resources in the community to the resource centers and needs of our schools. Our schools, and the families we serve, have always been a driving force behind all of the work that I do.

"My goal is to serve the unique needs of our community. We must protect and encourage our small businesses while creating good paying and family sustaining jobs. We must find more ways to keep our middle-class economy growing. We need to make sure that government is running efficiently, and that our hard-earned money is going to the things we care most about – like affordable living, excellent and fully-funded schools, accessible higher education, the ability to care for our families, protecting clean air and water, as well as public safety investments to keep our schools and our community safe. We can and we will continue this important work, together."

In making her endorsement public, State Assemblywoman Christy Smith released the following statement:

"Susan Christopher has dedicated her life's work to improving our education system. She understands the everyday challenges facing the people of the 38th State Assembly District. I am confident Susan Christopher will be a leader who represents all communities of the 38th District. We need Susan Christopher in the California State Assembly and I am proud to endorse her."

A former intervention teacher in the Fillmore Unified School District and a trustee on the Santa Clarita Valley Trustees Association, Christopher served on the Castaic Unified School District Board for nine years as governing board member. She was also previously a delegate for the California School Boards Association, representing all schools in the Santa Clarita Valley. Christopher is a graduate of George Washington University and holds a law degree from Pepperdine School of Law.

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