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LORENA GONZALEZ

LONG BEACH, CA - Long Beach City Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez announced today that Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez has endorsed her race for State Senate. Councilwoman Gonzalez is running to replace Ricardo Lara, who resigned to serve as California Insurance Commissioner.

Assemblywoman Gonzalez is the first Latina in California history to Chair the Assembly Appropriations Committee. She is also Chairwoman of the Select Committee on Women in the Workplace and Chair of the Latino Legislative Caucus. She has passed critical bills to protect the jobs of grocery workers, fight the misclassification of employees as independent contractors, create the first workplace bullying training requirement in the nation, limit excessive CEO compensation in the utility industry, protect immigrant communities from legal services fraud and mandate that public schools test their drinking water for lead.



Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez Quote

"Assemblywoman Gonzalez is a champion for working people and I am so proud to have her early support of our campaign for State Senate. Together we will work to create policies that support the environment, protect working families and defend our immigrant community."

Assemblywoman Gonzalez joins the following who have previously announced their endorsements of Councilwoman 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 Jeannine Pearce
Long Beach Councilmember Rex Richardson
Long Beach Councilmember Roberto Uranga
Huntington Park Vice Mayor Karina Macias
Huntington Park Councilmember Manuel "Manny" Avila
Huntington Park Councilmember Graciela Ortiz
Huntington Park Councilmember Marilyn Sanabria
Paramount Mayor Diane J. Martinez
LBCCD Board President Sunny Zia
LBCCD Board Vice President Vivian Malauulu
LBCCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk

State Legislators

State Senator Scott Wiener

Organizations Representing Working Women and Men

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



Painters & Allied Trades International Union District Council 36
Southern California Pipe Trades District Council 16
United Association Local 250
United Food & Commercial Workers International Union Local 324
Unite-HERE Local 11

Other Organizations

CA Latino Legislative Caucus

A special election is being held to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Senator Ricardo Lara who has assumed the role of California's 6th elected Insurance Commissioner. Lara has endorsed Councilwoman 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 has served as the Vice Chair of the city's State Legislative committee for the past five years, and chairs the Harbor and Tidelands Committee.

Councilwoman Gonzalez lives in Downtown Long Beach with her husband 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. She currently is employed with Microsoft, focused on issues around digital inclusion and tech equity.

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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