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## **CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS ENDORSES LENA GONZALEZ FOR STATE SENATE**

### ***Gonzalez Wins Major Environmental Endorsement***

**LONG BEACH, CA** - The California League of Conservation Voters (CLCV) has endorsed Long Beach City Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez in her campaign for State Senate.

The CLCV is the non-partisan political action arm of California's environmental movement. The CLCV mission is to protect and enhance the environment and the health of all California communities by electing environmental champions, advancing critical priorities, and holding policymakers accountable.

In announcing the support of the CLCV for her campaign, Gonzalez issued the following statement:

*"I am proud of my record championing environmental policies on the Long Beach City Council, where I have the most progressive environmental record in the 7th largest city in California.*

*"I led on protecting our environment for the Los Cerritos wetlands project and fought to limit coal exports from the Port of Long Beach. I championed the ban of Styrofoam that pollutes our waterways and endangers wildlife, and renewed the city's Green Business program. I am proud to serve on the environmental committee to clean up the LA River.*

*"I am honored to receive the endorsement of the California League of Conservation Voters, a respected and forceful voice in California's environmental community. I look forward to working with the CLCV to advance strong environmental policies for our communities.*



*"I care deeply about protecting our environment and will continue to lead efforts to preserve our coast, expand green space, fight climate change and clean up our air and water. I am aware of an independent expenditure active in the race, and I want to be clear that I will not accept oil company contributions nor will I be influenced by special interests. These groups are acting independently, and I have not coordinated or courted their involvement.*

*"I am proud that my campaign is supported by environmentalists, progressive leaders and organizations representing working women and men."*

CLCV joins a prominent list of supporters who have endorsed Gonzalez including Congressman Alan Lowenthal, Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell, Supervisor Janice Hahn, Mayor Robert Garcia and a host of local city council members, community college trustees, school board members, water board members and many labor organizations. The following have announced their endorsements of 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 Suja Lowenthal (ret.)  
Long Beach Councilmember Jeannine Pearce  
Long Beach Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga (ret.)  
Long Beach Councilmember Rex Richardson  
Long Beach Councilmember Roberto Uranga  
Long Beach CCD Trustee Vivian Malauulu  
Long Beach CCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk  
Long Beach CCD Trustee Sunny Zia  
Long Beach USD Board Member Dr. Juan Benitez  
Long Beach USD Board Member Diana Craighead  
Long Beach USD Board Member Megan Kerr  
Downey Mayor Fernando Vasquez (ret.)  
Huntington Park Vice Mayor Karina Macias  
Huntington Park Councilmember Manuel "Manny" Avila  
Huntington Park Councilmember Graciela Ortiz  
Huntington Park Councilmember Marilyn Sanabria



Lakewood Councilmember Jeff Wood  
Los Angeles City Councilwoman Nury Martinez  
Los Angeles Community College District Trustee Dr. Gabriel Buelna  
Norwalk-La Mirada USD Board Member Jesse Urquidi  
Paramount Mayor Diane J. Martinez  
Rolling Hills Mayor Patrick Wilson  
Signal Hill Councilmember Larry Forester  
South Gate Councilmember Gil Hurtado (ret.)  
Water Replenishment District of So. CA Board Member Rob Katherman

### **State Legislators**

State Senator Scott Wiener  
Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez  
Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell

### **Organizations Representing Working Women and Men**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR, AFL-CIO  
California Professional Firefighters  
California Constructions & Building Trades Council  
California Services Employees International Union (SEIU)  
IATSE - All Los Angeles Based Locals  
International Association of Machinists (IAM) District 947  
International Longshore & Warehouse Union So. CA District Council  
International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 13  
International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 63  
International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 94  
Ironworkers Local 416  
Ironworkers Local 433  
Long Beach Firefighters Association  
Long Beach Police Officers Association  
National Union of Healthcare Workers  
Painters & Allied Trades International Union District Council 36  
Plumbers Local 78  
Southern California Pipe Trades District Council 16  
Teamsters Local 63  
Teamsters Local 848  
Teamsters Local 952  
United Association Local 250  
United Food & Commercial Workers International Union Local 324



Unite-HERE Local 11

**Other Organizations**

CA Latino Legislative Caucus

Equality California

Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project Los Angeles

Stonewall Democratic Club

Gonzalez is running to replace Ricardo Lara, who resigned to serve as California's 6th elected Insurance Commissioner. Lara has endorsed 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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