Alameda Supervisor Keith Carson Backs Sandrée Swanson

Swanson’s Momentum in East Bay Continues to Grow with Key Endorsement from County Supervisor Who Squarely Represents Senate District 9

Alameda, CA – Former East Bay Assemblymember Sandrée Swanson announced today that he has received the endorsement of Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson.

Supervisor Carson represents the Alameda County cities of Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont and Oakland – all of which are encompassed within the 9th Senate District.

Carson’s support quickly follows recent endorsements of Swanson by other key East Bay leaders. Swanson’s campaign has earned the support of every State Legislator whose district substantially overlaps with the 9th Senate District, as well as the East Bay’s iconic U.S. Representative, Congresswoman Barbara Lee.

“I am proud to endorse my good friend, colleague, and a true champion for our youth, Sandrée Swanson for State Senate. Sandrée’s record of fighting for our progressive values and standing up for the voiceless is unmatched. As a Member of the Assembly, he has been a leader in efforts to support and assist at-risk youth with real solutions. As Chair of the Assembly Select Committee on the Status of Boys and Men of Color, his committee’s work is widely used by the State today in its strategies for assisting young people.

Supervisor Carson continued, “whether it is voting against a state budget that is unfairly balanced on the backs of the poor or working to give the formerly incarcerated the tools to succeed in life - Sandrée isn’t afraid to take on the tough issues that others shy away from. We need his leadership in the State Senate and I urge everyone to join me in actively supporting his campaign.”

“Supervisor Keith Carson has been a leader in Alameda County for years assisting those most need, fighting for accessible health care and giving our youth an opportunity to succeed. I very much appreciate his support and welcome his active support of our campaign”, said Sandrée Swanson.
Carons’s endorsement is the latest in a series of major endorsements announced by Sandré Swanson’s campaign in recent weeks. Locked in a highly competitive battle for State Senate District 9, Swanson has lined up a number of exclusive early endorsements from prominent local and statewide leaders including Congresswoman Barbara Lee, State Board of Equalization Chairman Jerome Horton and Member Fiona Ma, incumbent State Senator Loni Hancock, Senator Tony Mendoza, Assemblymember Rob Bonta, Assemblymember Tony Thurmond, the California School Employees Association, the California Nurses Association, Teamsters Joint Council 7, and now Supervisor Carson. Swanson’s deep roots in the district, impressive list of early supporters, and solid background of accomplishments have positioned him at the top of the field of candidates.

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Sandré Swanson has spent his life championing civil rights issues, gender and workplace equality, empowering working families, and helping our youth live up to their full potential. Swanson served in the California State Assembly from 2006-2012, representing the communities of Oakland, Alameda, and Piedmont encompassed within the 9th Senate District. Prior to his service in elected office, Swanson served five years as Chief of Staff for Congresswoman Barbara Lee. Before that, he worked for 25 years as the District Director and Senior Policy Advisor for Congressman Ronald V. Dellums. He also served as Chair of the Alameda County Employee’s Retirement Association, Chair of the Oakland Civil Service Commission, and Chair of the Oakland Re-Use and Redevelopment Authority.