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AD-45 CANDIDATE JESSE GABRIEL SECURES POWERFUL NEW ENDORSEMENTS ON THE HEELS OF MASSIVE FUNDRAISING HAUL

Day After Kicking-Off Campaign and Announcing \$315,000 Raised in Two Weeks, Gabriel Lands Potent Backing of Assemblymember Richard Bloom, Valley Leader Janice Kamenir-Reznik

ENCINO, CA -- The day after announcing his campaign for the 45th Assembly District, Los Angeles County Commissioner Jesse Gabriel today received a duo of highly coveted endorsements from Assemblymember Richard Bloom and Valley Community Leader and Jewish World Watch Co-Founder Janice Kamenir-Reznik. The two leaders join State Senator Ben Allen who made public his backing of Gabriel just yesterday.

In announcing his endorsement of Gabriel, *Assemblymember Richard Bloom*, who represents a neighboring assembly district, released the following statement:

"Jesse Gabriel has committed himself to helping others. From taking on the Trump Administration to protect DACA recipients to assisting Holocaust survivors and victims of domestic abuse, he has demonstrated time and again that he is willing to stand up and fight for what is right. We need Jesse's values, his forward-thinking ideas, and his effectiveness in the State Legislature. I am pleased to give him my wholehearted support."

Janice Kamenir-Reznik, a widely respected Valley Community Leader, Activist and Co-Founder of Jewish World Watch, expressed her enthusiastic support for Gabriel by remarking:

"Jesse Gabriel is an extraordinary leader and activist. Through his work with Jewish World Watch, he has helped to fight sexual and gender based violence. Jesse is thoughtful, compassionate, and deeply committed to building a more just and inclusive society. He is dedicated to addressing the issues that matter most to the Valley, and I know that he will be an extremely effective representative for our community. He has my enthusiastic support."

Just yesterday Gabriel's campaign announced that he has raised \$315,000 in the two weeks since he began exploring a potential bid. That figure includes approximately \$265,000 raised from individual contributors during the final two weeks of 2017 as well as a \$50,000 personal contribution.

State Senator Ben Allen previously released the following statement of support for Gabriel's campaign:

"I've known Jesse Gabriel for many years and know him to be a person of great integrity, intelligence, compassion, and heart," said Senator Allen. "He's just the kind of person we need more of in elected office. I'm fully confident he will be a strong leader for our state and the values we care about, and I know that he'll be an engaged and attentive leader for his district. I'm proud to give him my wholehearted support as I know he'll be an independent and hard-working advocate for the people of the 45th District."

Jesse Gabriel is a Los Angeles County Commissioner and accomplished constitutional rights attorney who has represented clients before the United States Supreme Court. He is currently suing the Trump Administration in two landmark lawsuits which seek to protect undocumented children known as Dreamers. Through his legal work and legislative advocacy, Jesse has assisted Holocaust survivors, victims of domestic abuse, and communities facing the threat of hatemotivated violence. Jesse also helped to advance the Democratic Party agenda in the United States Senate, where he served as a senior advisor to former United States Senator Evan Bayh.

A committed environmentalist and longtime community activist, Jesse serves on the board of directors of the Los Angeles League of Conservation Voters and the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles, and as a Commissioner on the Los Angeles County Commission on Local Government Services.

Jesse lives in Encino with his wife Rachel Rosner, an affordable housing attorney, and their sons Ethan and Joshua. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School and UC Berkeley.

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