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# **L.A. TRAILBLAZER LAURA CHICK ENDORSES JESSE GABRIEL FOR STATE ASSEMBLY**

*First Woman Elected Citywide in Los Angeles, Former City Controller  
Laura Chick Announces Support of Jesse Gabriel for AD-45*

**LOS ANGELES, CA** -- Underscoring his increasing support in the upcoming Special Election for California's 45th Assembly District, today Los Angeles County Commissioner Jesse Gabriel secured a highly-coveted endorsement from former Los Angeles City Controller, Laura Chick.

Widely recognized as one of Los Angeles' most admired and respected elected leaders, Chick was the first woman ever elected citywide. Prior to serving as City Controller, she represented many of the neighborhoods in the 45th Assembly

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District on the Los Angeles City Council. Chick also served as California's Inspector General, overseeing the state's spending of \$85 billion of Federal Recovery Act funding following the Great Recession. Her endorsement carries substantial weight in Los Angeles, particularly in the Valley communities she previously represented on the City Council.

In announcing her endorsement of Jesse Gabriel for State Assembly, Chick released the following statement:

"We need new leadership, a fresh approach, and bold ideas in Sacramento. That's why I'm pleased to endorse Jesse Gabriel for State Assembly. He has a strong moral compass and a commitment to fighting hard for those in need. Jesse will be a fierce advocate for Valley neighborhoods, better schools, and a strong middle class economy."

Gabriel already has raised well over \$300,000 in primary funds, giving him the resources to wage a robust and competitive campaign. He's also been endorsed by State Senator Ben Allen, Assemblymember Richard Bloom, former Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, former Congressman Mel Levine, former State Senator Marty Block, and Valley Community Leader Janice Kamenir-Reznik, and just last week rolled out a far-reaching list of endorsements from more than 50 prominent Jewish Community leaders.

Jesse Gabriel is a Los Angeles County Commissioner and 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 hate-motivated 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.

To learn more about Jesse Gabriel's campaign visit [www.JesseForAssembly.com](http://www.JesseForAssembly.com)

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