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## Ca-2525 special election results

Jennifer Medina May 13, 2020 Although officials have not yet completed the count of California's special election, Christy Smith announced she has acknowledged the race to Mike Garcia. Read more » Improving public education Christy believes that a great level of education is the playing field and creates more opportunities for all young people. That's why he dedicated his career, especially as a federal education policy expert and a member of the local school board, to improving schools and giving all students a fair chance through a world-class education. In Congress, he will work to invest in local state classrooms so that we can hire more teachers and reduce class size and pay teachers liveable middle-class wages. Christy also wants to provide students with options after K-12, without a lifetime of debt. He wants to increase affordability and available opportunities such as job training, apprenticeships, technical school, and more affordable public colleges and universities. Reducing taxes on California families Christy is committed to reinstatement of the State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction, which provides lower taxes for California families, up to \$12,000 a year. As a member of the State Assembly, Christy opposed any changes to Proposition 13, a law that caps property tax costs for California homeowners. In 2018, Christy supported a measure that would use tax revenues from the gas tax solely for transport-related infrastructure projects, not politicians' pet projects. Congresswoman Christy Smith introduced AB 2379, which would grant an annual tax exemption for certain emergency benefits. During her time in public service, Christy fought to cut taxes and ensured existing tax dollars were spent in Californians' interests. Christy will take the same budget responsibility to Congress. Eradicating corruption in Washington It's clear that big money is destroying our political system. The voices of everyday Americans continue to be supplanted by special interests and corporate Super PACs, leading to record low levels of trust in our government. The only way to fix this is to get dark, inexplicable money out of politics. Now more than ever, it is very important that Washington is held accountable and defended by fighting the special interest money that is flooding into our nation's capital. If we want a government that represents the will of the people, not special interests, then we need to change the way we finance our campaigns. That's why he supports Christy ending the disastrous Citizens United decision and refusing to accept a dime from Big Pharma, Big Oil, the Gun Lobby, Big Tobacco, any other federal corporate PAC money or contributions from any federal lobbyist. Only article 25 shall apply. Keeping the and communities safe The firefighters, paramedics, law enforcement officers, and other emergency responders are heroes who not only work to keep us safe, but also on the front lines of tackling America's mental health crisis. As chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Crisis Management and mother of two girls, Christy rose above party politics to deliver to California's first responders. In Congress, he will work to invest more in public safety so that we can further reduce emergency response times and improve neighborhood security. As the climate crisis worsens, our fire risk is greater than ever and we need to equip our specialists with the means and resources to respond. Making Health Care more affordable and accessible health care is human rights, and while the Affordable Care Act is a giant step in that direction, Christy believes we need to do more to reduce costs, ensure that all Americans have access to affordable health care, and protect those with pre-existing conditions. That's why it supports public health insurance for anyone who wants it. Christy also believes that the health system needs the same consumer protection as any consumer market, which includes transparency when it comes to the actual costs of health treatments. He will work to shed light on the pricing that has been discussed in the dark for too long. Christy also believes that Congress should do the job of controlling the skyrocketing costs of health care, including rising costs of prescription drugs. It is unacceptable for American taxpayers to support research and development of life-saving medicines just to pay more for them than those who live in Europe, Japan and Canada. It will fight to protect Medicaid and Medicare, women's reproductive health rights, and funding Planned Parenthood. Supporting women and families When women thrive, our families thrive. That's why Christy has always been a tireless warrior for women and families - from our schools in our state capital and now to Washington. Christy is ready to stand up for equal pay for equal work and affordable childcare, giving families a fair chance of success. It will ensure that women have the same access to affordable healthcare as men. And Christy will always fight to protect women's right to choose and fund Planned Parenthood and other providers who ensure that women have affordable options for a full range of reproductive health care. Growing the middle class and small businesses We need to seriously create better-paying jobs here in the community, so more middle-class families thrive and don't have to spend hours away from their families to downtown Los Angeles. Christy Smith has a plan. It believes that smart investments should be made in transport infrastructure, education, scientific research and renewable and clean energy sustainable jobs in our community that also pay the mortgage. He also believes that we should do more to help people start and grow small businesses at home and give people the career skills they need by making colleges and commercial schools more affordable and accessible, while ensuring that workers have the right to organize and speak in the workplace through trade unions. The fight against corporate polluters and the climate crisis is now in its 25th year. For too long, federal agencies have not had their saffron, so we must fight to ensure accountability and reform. There's a lot of work to do to protect the air our children breathe and drink water here at home, including shutting down the Aliso Canyon gas facility and ensuring aggressive oversight of the district's two toxic waste purification sites, Santa Susana Field Laboratory and Whittaker Bermite, and three landfills, Sunshine Canyon, Chiquita Canyon, and Simi Valley. We also need to invest in building a fully renewable and clean energy infrastructure that uses wind and solar energy to create good mortgage-paying jobs and overcome the climate crisis, so that we can ensure that our community is a place where families can live and thrive for generations to come before it is too late. Enacting Gun Security Measures as a Mother, Christy believes that we all have the right to live without the fear of gun violence and our family's protection. That's why he's going to work to promote public safety in neighborhoods across the 25th amendment. Protecting veterans and seniors Christy will fight tirelessly to protect American veterans and seniors from exploitation and abuse in Washington. As a congressman, Christy will ensure that her office helps veterans and seniors with federal agencies through relevant organizations and information. He will protect Social Security and Medicare from extreme attacks and work to fix the VA to ensure that veterans get the benefits and care they have earned. Building housing that is affordable for families across the country, but especially in California, the cost of living is skyrocketing, pushing working-class families out of their homes and communities and displacing small businesses. We need to address this crisis face-to-face by investing in more affordable housing and developing a comprehensive national strategy to combat homelessness, including increasing funding for shelters, health care and mental health services. Ensuring human rights for all Christy will fight for equality in all areas of our society, including equal pay for equal work, protection of women in the workplace and domestic violence, civil rights protection for LGBTQ people and ensuring non-discrimination in housing, employment and public housing. Common sense immigration reform The immigration system is dangerously broken and desperately needs reforms that work for all of us. We need to take steps to increase border security, to protect against crime and to create a path to citizenship for the law-abiding residents who live here and contribute. America's power is our diversity. In Congress, Christy is committed to protecting immigrant communities, including dreamers and refugees, from abuse and protecting their fundamental human rights. Separating children from their families and caged them is outrageous and un-American. Christy believes that immigration is essentially a humanitarian issue and should be treated with compassion through a much more robust system. We need more judges at the border to process cases for fairer and faster anamma. [24] way. [24]