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Assemblymember Tim Grayson Announces Run for State Senate
*Grayson Brings Strong Legislative Record in Consumer Protection,
Affordable Housing and Public Safety*

Walnut Creek, CA – Today, Assemblymember Tim Grayson announced his run for the California State Senate. Grayson has served in the Assembly since his election in 2016 and was previously the Mayor of Concord. He is seeking to represent District 9 in the State Senate, encompassing Contra Costa and Alameda counties. The district is currently State Senate District 7 and is represented by State Senator Steve Glazer.

“Californians are struggling to keep pace with rising inflation and skyrocketing housing costs. I’ll stand up for them in the State Senate and expand on the work I did to stand up for middle-class Californians – expanding statewide protections for renters, standing up to Big Banks and pharmaceutical companies, providing affordable housing, and improving our roads, bridges, and infrastructure,” said Grayson.

[Grayson made his announcement with a video posted on social media for his supporters. Watch the video here.](#)

Tim Grayson was the first in his family to earn a college degree. His father was a Teamster, and his mother was a public transit worker. Starting in 1997, Tim operated a business as a general building contractor and still holds a license today. In 2010, he was elected to the Concord City Council, winning reelection in 2014 and eventually serving as the city’s Mayor. As Mayor, Tim

worked to balance Concord's 90 million dollar budget and built up the city's rainy day fund.

Grayson co-founded the Contra Costa Family Justice Center, a nonprofit that helps victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. He fought for funding for survivors of abuse during the coronavirus pandemic and wrote a law making it tougher for sexual predators to avoid justice.

Since being elected to the Assembly, Tim has authored and passed historic legislation to build more affordable housing for middle and working-class families, establish statewide rent protections to help more Californians stay in their homes, increase access to effective mental health services for our California firefighters and first responders, and put an end to predatory lending and rein in the payday loan industry.

Grayson's major legislative accomplishments include:

- Serving as Chair of the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee. Assemblymember Grayson has championed innovative solutions that will benefit all Californians and lead to economic growth.
- Securing \$30 million in state funding for Family Justice Centers throughout California to streamline services for victims of interpersonal violence.
- Securing \$34M to improve the Interstate 680/State Route 4 interchange in Concord.
- Passed laws (AB 1482 and AB 1481) to protect California renters from unfair evictions and significant rent increases.
- Authored legislation, AB 1116 (Grayson, 2019), to increase access to effective mental health services for firefighters.
- Supported legislation and funding to help law enforcement recover stolen merchandise to protect local businesses.
- Supported funding a permanent Smash and Grab Enforcement Unit to fight organized retail theft.
- Supported a state budget that included \$30 Million to support the National Guard's drug eradication efforts, targeting transnational criminal organizations.
- Supported \$156 Million for gun violence prevention programs, and \$25 Million for gun buyback programs.

- Supported \$30 Million investment for fentanyl & other drug trafficking prevention programs.
- Supported legislation to ensure officers receive strong use-of-force training in order to protect them in the field and help keep our communities safe.
- Passed AB 539 to stop the predatory payday lending industry by capping the interest rates on small loans between \$2,500-\$10,000. Additional details are available at www.GraysonforCA.com

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