



Los Angeles Area
Chamber of Commerce

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L.A. AREA CHAMBER ENDORSEMENTS SWEEP NOV. 7 BALLOT

***13 out of 15 issues go the Chamber's way on Election Day,
including Chamber's top goal of the year: infrastructure bonds***

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce's efforts in pushing for policies that will build a better L.A. succeeded Tuesday, with an overwhelming majority of positions taken by the L.A. region's business community backed by the voters.

Chamber member companies, which collectively employ 600,000 employees throughout the region, distributed print and electronic versions of the Chamber's 2006 Voting Guide to their employees, and the Chamber distributed thousands of copies of the guide at events, through mailers and online.

"The sweeping passage of all the infrastructure bonds, Propositions 1A to 1E, shows that voters are ready to rebuild California, from our transportation to the environment," said Chamber President and CEO Gary Toebben. "The Chamber has been an advocate for these from the beginning, when we lobbied to put the bonds on the ballot earlier this year—declaring a serious investment in infrastructure as our top goal for 2006."

"The Chamber also congratulates Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger for his re-election," said Toebben. "This was the first time in recent history that the Chamber endorsed a gubernatorial candidate, and we're glad the voters agreed he is the right choice for California."

The Chamber applauded the passage of Proposition R, extending term limits and enacting ethics reforms for L.A. City Councilmembers. The measure was crafted by the Chamber in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Los Angeles. By supporting the measure, L.A. voters demonstrated the need for more long-term vision, accountability and efficiency in the city's political system.

A chart comparing the Chamber's positions on candidates and measures, and how they fared on Election Day follows:

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Elected Officials	Results	Outcome	Chamber Win
Gov. Arnold Schwarzeneger	55.8% Yes	WON	✓
Steve Poizner for Insurance Commissioner	50.6% Yes	WON	✓

Statewide Ballot Initiatives

Prop 1A (Transportation Fix)	76.6% - 23.4%	PASSED	✓
Prop 1B (Highway/Air/Port Bond)	61.3% - 38.7%	PASSED	✓
Prop 1C (Housing/Shelter)	57.5% - 42.5%	PASSED	✓
Prop 1D (School Facility Bond)	56.5% - 43.5%	PASSED	✓
Prop 1E (Disaster/Flood Bond)	64.0% - 36%	PASSED	✓
Prop 84 (Water/Flood/Parks)	53.8% - 46.2%	PASSED	✓
Prop 86 (Tobacco Tax)	47.8% - 52.2%	FAILED	✗
Prop 87 (Energy/Oil Tax)	45.3% - 54.7%	FAILED	✓
Prop 88 (Property Tax- Education Funding)	23.1% - 76.9%	FAILED	✓
Prop 89 (Corporate Tax)	25.5% - 74.5%	FAILED	✓
Prop 90 (Eminent Domain)	47.4% - 52.6%	FAILED	✓

L.A. City Ballot Initiatives

Prop H (Housing Bond/ Property Tax)	62.3% - 37.7%	FAILED	✗ (required 2/3)
Prop R (Term Limits/ Ethics Reforms)	59.1% - 40.8%	PASSED	✓

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The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce represents the interests of business in L.A. County. Founded in 1888, the Chamber promotes a prosperous economy and quality of life in the Los Angeles region. For more information visit www.lachamber.org.