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DC LATINO CAUCUS ANNOUCES PRIMARY ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS

Candidates with at least 51% of Caucus member votes earned endorsement

Washington, DC — March 28, 2022 — The DC Latino Caucus (DCLC) today announced the candidates the organization has endorsed for the June 21, 2022, Democratic Primary election.

- Mayor of the District of Columbia: Robert White (64.9% of votes cast)
- At-Large Councilmember: Dexter Williams (56.5% of votes cast)*
- Ward 1 Councilmember: Brianne Nadeau (75% of votes cast)
- Ward 6 Councilmember: Charles Allen (71.6% of votes cast)**
- **Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives:** Eleanor Holmes Norton (52.7% of votes cast)

DCLC declined to endorse candidates in the following races due to none of the candidates earning 51% or more of member votes:

- Chair of the Council of the District of Columbia: No Endorsement*
- Ward 3 Councilmember: No Endorsement*
- Ward 5 Councilmember: No Endorsement*
- Attorney General for the District of Columbia: No Endorsement*
- Shadow United States Representative: No Endorsement*

*Indicates a race that went to a second, runoff vote.

**Indicates an uncontested race.



THE ENDORSEMENT PROCESS

More DCLC members voted in this year's endorsement than any other in the organization's history. A total of 177 ballots were cast across two rounds of voting.

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Endorsement required 51% or more of member votes. If no candidate in a race earned 51%, a second runoff election was held between the top two candidates in the first round to see whether either candidate earned 51%.

Candidates for elected office were invited to submit a DC Latino Caucus issues questionnaire by February 11, 2022. Completed questionnaires were made available for public review at https://www.dclatinocaucus.org/demprimary22questionnaires.

The Caucus then hosted their 2022 Democratic Primary Endorsement Meeting on Wednesday, March 23, on Zoom and streamed live on YouTube. The event offered candidates, campaign representatives, Caucus board members and members of the public the opportunity to advocate for endorsement. Over 100 people attended the virtual Endorsement Meeting including the majority of candidates across all races. Video of the proceedings is available at delatinocaucus.org and on the organization's YouTube channel.

Members of the public that joined or renewed their Caucus membership between January 1 – February 21, 2022, were eligible to vote for their preferred candidates using the <u>ElectionBuddy</u> online voting platform. Voting took place immediately after the Caucus' Endorsement Meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, through Sunday, March 27, 2022. Election results were certified on Sunday, March 27, 2022, by a committee of six board members including the Caucus President.

"The unprecedented turn out for our endorsement meeting is indicative of the importance of the Latino community in the District," says Jose "Joe" Barrios, president, DC Latino Caucus.

"Our membership is deeply invested in these races" continued Barrios, "More than fifty percent of the ballots sent to our members were submitted within two hours of our Endorsement Meeting."

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ABOUT THE DC LATINO CAUCUS

Established in 2005, the DC Latino Caucus is the preeminent voice for the Latino community within the Democratic party and local government. Run by an all-volunteer board, the organization's primary objectives are to ensure the political representation and participation of the Latino community in the government and civic affairs of the DC metropolitan area. The DC Latino Caucus is an <u>official affiliate organization of the District of Columbia Democratic Party</u> (District of Columbia Democratic State Committee). For more information visit www.dclatinocaucus.org.