



Fabian Chavez, "The Lion of the North," Endorses Jose Campos For Lieutenant Governor

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Fabian Chavez, a legend in New Mexico politics, has come forward with a strong endorsement for Jose Campos for Lieutenant Governor. Fabian Chavez has been called a patriot, an elder statesman, and a loyal public servant, and he is known within the state as "The Lion of the North." Fabian Chavez had a distinguished and honored career serving ten years in the state legislature. Fabian served as the Senate Majority Leader in the early 1960s.

Fabian Chavez issued the following endorsement:

"It is my pleasure to offer my endorsement of Jose Campos for Lt. Governor. I am 85 years old and I have seen New Mexico go through a lot of changes. I have worked with many leaders over my many decades of public service and believe me, I know a leader when I see one. I've watched Jose Campos as he has served 12 years as Mayor in Santa Rosa and his four terms as a state legislator. I know from my time in the legislature, there are followers and there are leaders in the legislature. Jose is a leader, a bold leader, who will fight for the people's causes even when it is unpopular among the rank and file politicians. Jose Campos is an intelligent, honest candidate without ties to "pay to play" politicians. Diane Denish deserves a politically clean lieutenant governor running mate. Jose didn't ask me for my endorsement. I called him. After considering all the Lieutenant Governor candidates, the choice was clear. We are at a critical time in our history and it is in times like these that I must speak out. Jose is the outstanding candidate in the field and the Democratic Party needs Jose on the ballot with Diane Denish to win in November. Jose stands for ethics reform, Jose stands for good jobs, Jose stands for better education and I am proud to stand for Jose. I am asking all Democrats to support Jose. I want our party to succeed and win in November and a Denish/Campos ticket is the strongest ticket for New Mexico."

Representative Campos responded to the endorsement, "I was very humbled when Fabian called me to offer his endorsement. Fabian was the people's champion and his career as a public servant has inspired me to be the best that I can be for the people. I remember my father taking me to the state capital, and we would sit in the gallery in the roundhouse. We went there just to hear Fabian speak. He was a great orator, a great man, and he made a powerful impression on me. I'll not forget the night Fabian called me with his endorsement. As a leader for the people, I will try my hardest to live up to his expectations."