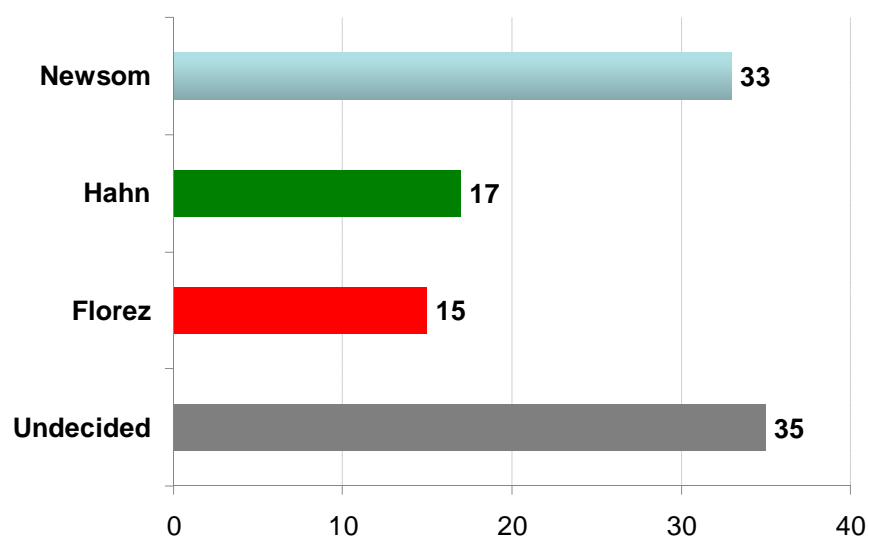


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To: Interested Parties
From: Ben Tulchin, Tulchin Research
Re: Survey Results for California Lieutenant Governor

A recent survey among likely Democratic primary voters finds a new dynamic shaping the election for California's Lieutenant Governor. In a 3-way race for LG between San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom, Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn, and State Senator Dean Florez, **Newsom has a solid lead and is extremely well positioned to win the race.** Specifically, Newsom garners a third of the vote (33%), doubling the support of the other two candidates as Hahn collects 17% and Florez receives 15%, with the remaining third (35%) undecided. The bottom line is that **in a 3-way race, Newsom practically already has the votes needed to win the race.**

Vote for California Lieutenant Governor in a Democratic Primary



The reason Newsom has such a large lead is because the San Francisco Mayor has a solid base of support in the Bay Area and also does well in the rest of the state. It is evident from this poll that **Newsom's gubernatorial campaign has raised his profile statewide and put him in a position to win this race.** Newsom currently receives nearly half (47%) of the vote in the Bay Area. This part of the state represents a disproportionate amount of the vote in a statewide Democratic primary, which puts the San Francisco Democrat in pole position.

Newsom also adds to that base with a respectable showing in the rest of the state as he leads in every other part of the state except for Los Angeles County – he is ahead in Sacramento and Northern California and tied with Senator Florez in the Central Valley, which is quite remarkable.

Vote for California Lieutenant Governor by Region

	Bay Area	Los Angeles County	Los Angeles Area	San Diego	Sacramento/ North	Central Valley
Gavin Newsom	47%	20%	28%	33%	30%	32%
Janice Hahn	12%	36%	17%	12%	9%	10%
Dean Florez	8%	10%	17%	3%	21%	32%
Undecided	33%	34%	38%	52%	40%	26%

Given the position Newsom is presently in and the level of support he receives throughout the state, he is as well positioned to win the Democratic primary for Lieutenant Governor as any candidate could be.

Survey Methodology: Tulchin Research conducted a statewide telephone survey in California among 600 likely Democratic primary voters. Interviews were conducted in January 2010. The margin of error for this survey is +/- 4.1 percent.