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**California Asian and Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus Endorses  
Dr. Angelo Farooq for State Senate**

*Dr. Farooq continues to rack up endorsements in pivotal race for SD 31*

Today, Riverside School Board President Dr. Angelo Farooq's campaign for State Senate District 31 announced that Dr. Farooq has won the endorsement of the California Asian and Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus.

"The son of an immigrant single mom from Pakistan who overcame poverty, Angelo has been a lifelong champion for the AAPI community. Angelo will stand up against AAPI hate and racial bigotry and our California AAPI Legislative Caucus is proud to support him for State Senate. Angelo's work on the Riverside Unified School Board to improve outcomes for our students and his work to create jobs through his service on the California Workforce Development Board are a testament to his unwavering commitment." AAPILC Chair, Assemblymember Evan Low

Dr. Farooq said, "I am incredibly honored to have the support of the California API Legislative Caucus as the clear choice for State Senate. As The son of an immigrant single mom from Pakistan who overcame poverty, I have been a lifelong champion for my fellow AAPI community. In the State Senate, I will stand up against AAPI bigotry and work to ensure we create opportunities for our students and working families to achieve the California Dream."

Accounting for about 16% of the state's population, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans (APIA) continue to be among the fastest growing racial and ethnic groups in the state. California is home to about one-third of the nation's APIA population. The California API Legislative Caucus was founded in 2001 and represents and advocates for the interests of the API community, including increasing API representation and participation at all levels of government, ensuring the API community has equal access to education, social services, health, mental health, and other government programs and services, and strengthening protections against hate crimes and defending the civil rights and liberties of APIs.

The CA API Legislative Caucus' endorsement comes on the heels of the California School Employees Association throwing their early support behind Dr. Farooq's campaign for State Senate. They join a burgeoning list of endorsements for Dr. Farooq's candidacy, including

Lieutenant Governor Eleni Kounalakis, State Treasurer Fiona Ma, Attorney General Rob Bonta, State Controller Malia Cohen, scores of local leaders, and community members.

The primary election will be held on March 5, 2024. For more information, please visit [www.AngeloFarooq.com](http://www.AngeloFarooq.com).

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