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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – FULLERTON REPUBLICANS DEFEAT LAWSUIT AND STATE SENATOR

[FULLERTON, CA] – On June 5th, California’s 29th State Senate district voted in favor of recalling Democrat Josh Newman, breaking the Democrat’s supermajority.

The CSUF Republicans helped launch the recall process on April 13th, 2017 when executive board members Amanda McGuire, Ryan Hoskins, and Brooke Paz were some of the first to sign a petition to start the recall process. The CSUF Republicans club then helped the Recall Josh Newman campaign collect nearly 85,000 signatures to put the recall on the ballot, allowing voters to let their voices be heard.

Voters sought to remove Newman from office due to his deciding vote on increasing the car and gas tax by $52 billion without voter consent. Newman also threatened to increase property taxes through the repeal of Proposition 13.

"We could not afford Josh Newman any longer, and I'm glad the 29th State district understood that,” said President Amanda McGuire. “This election cycle showed that Californians, even college students, had a lot to say and were directly affected by the outrageous tax hikes.”

On June 20th, 2017 California Democrats filed a lawsuit naming McGuire, Hoskins, and Paz as real parties in interest in an attempt to stop the petition from circulating and halt the recall process, subverting the will of the voters. However, the students fought back, filing a lawsuit against California Secretary of State Alex Padilla in order to validate the recall petition.

The CSUF Republicans also mobilized students to walk neighborhoods and make phone calls, encouraging constituents to vote “yes” on the recall. On June 5th, 2018 voters chose to recall Newman and replaced him with former Assemblywoman and Republican Ling Ling Chang.

"Today marks a huge victory for our club, but more importantly the people in our district who have been fighting for over a year to have their voices heard,” said Events Director Ryan Hoskins. “The efforts of the Democrats to stifle the democratic rights of their constituents is a disgrace to the state and to our community. I want to thank all of the CSUF Republicans who put their time and effort into this campaign.”

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