

New Transformational Leadership & Fundamental Change is Coming

Joel Ventresca for California Governor 2021

Incorruptible*Independent*Berniecrat*Democrat

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For over 25 years as a peaceful warrior champion, I fearlessly battled the Most Corrupt Machine in California & America. The decades-old San Francisco Willie Brown & protégés corruption machine *amassed* unprecedented power & wealth for a few, *caused* ever-expanding criminal prosecutions, and *rigged* an election to place the **corrupt governor** in office. This nefarious machine is linked to widespread scandal, bribery, money laundering, contract fixing, patronage, violence, threats, election irregularities & backroom deals.

34 Years of Exceptional Award-winning Public Service: Administrator, Analyst & Safety Security Risk Expert building the industry-leading San Francisco International Airport into an economic powerhouse *creating* 300,000 jobs & \$62.5 billion in business sales annually (1987-2018); Department Head Assistant & Aging Specialist *reorganizing* the City and County of San Francisco Aging Commission into a model department (1981-1984).

Key High-Level Prior Impactful Leadership Positions: Democratic Party Runner-up for San Francisco Mayor in 2019; City and County of San Francisco Environmental Commissioner; President, Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods; Executive Board Member, SEIU 790; Environmental Justice Pioneer.

Nationally-known Successful Community Organizer: *Organized* the winning coalition that passed the most restrictive commercial office high-rise growth control law in the nation; *Defeated* corporate welfare sports facilities promoted by the superrich; *Headed* the public power movement in San Francisco; *Testified* before Congress against privatization of national parks; *Led* the effort to close the last two fossil-fueled burning power plants in San Francisco; *Crafted* open government law; *Drafted* detailed plan to cleanup radioactive-contaminated closed military bases; *Adopted* the first landmark City and County of San Francisco Sustainability Plan.

Media Characterizations: “hero”; “courageous”; “tough”; “principled”; “incorruptible”; “independent”; “honest”; “successful”; “liberal”; “progressive”; “left”; “empathetic”; “personable”; “knowledgeable”.

Family & Education: Son of Italian American science teacher & homemaker; Married Asian American immigrant; Step-grandfather to African Americans, Filipino Americans & Cambodian Americans; Related to signers of the Declaration of Independence & Constitution; Jesuit-educated; University of San Francisco Master in Public Administration.

“As a prominent 99% Public Interest Game-changer Democrat, who received 111,000 votes in San Francisco elections, I will govern as America’s most effective progressive governor.” – Joel Ventresca

**Restoring, Reinventing & Reimagining the Golden California Dream:
Advancing Groundbreaking Opportunity, Sustainability & Majority Electoral Support
Joel Ventresca for California Governor 2021 Platform**

Restore democracy; Reinvent government; Reimagine capitalism.

Create just, livable & flourishing California for all.

Enact high quality healthcare & education, cradle-to-grave, for all residents. **Raise** minimum wage to \$16-an-hour. **End** homelessness, poverty & mass incarceration with comprehensive programs. **Pass** best tenant protection, civil rights, gun safety & police reform laws in the nation. **Increase** taxes on wealthy individuals & corporations. **Eliminate** taxes & fees on small businesses for 5 years. **Build** large-scale multi-unit permanent affordable housing.

Reverse growing economic inequality & expand economic democracy.

Disempower top 1% economic elite. **Empower** nonviolent mass movements. **Reduce** inequities, disparities & the gap between rich & poor. **Challenge** corporate & tech agendas. **Restructure** energy utilities into a full-service consumer-owned statewide public power system that operates efficiently, reliably, sustainably & safely with 15% lower rates. **Remake** California into the first zero-carbon emissions state in the nation. **Cease** fracking & oil drilling. **Convert** to non-nuclear 100% clean renewable energy. **Establish** free public transit.

Rejuvenate inclusive & diverse participatory democracy.

Remove corrupt influence of private money from politics by mandating 100% publicly-funded candidate campaigns & elections. **Prohibit** elected representatives from meeting with lobbyists. **Halt** government waste, fraud, abuse, inefficiency, mismanagement & corruption. **Make** safety, security, opportunity & well-being accessible to all. **Confront** bias, discrimination & bigotry.

Should top 1%-corporate-incompetent-corrupt Newsom be removed in the bipartisan recall election?

Getty Oil fortune-generated multimillionaire & corporate interest bagman (\$32.5 million collected to stay in power from real estate, health, tech, gambling & other industries) Newsom, who increased the gap between rich & poor but refuses to increase taxes on the wealthy, mismanaged: **schools** (83% of parents say children are falling behind); **pandemic** (63,000 deaths; highest of any state); **nursing homes** (9,000 covid-19 deaths); **public health** (underfunded contact tracing & data collection costing more lives); **economy** (45% of workforce lost jobs); **unemployment** (failure to answer phones); **wildfires** (record 4.2 million acres burned in 2020); **blackouts**; **drought**; **climate change** (112 fracking & oil drilling permits were approved in 2021); **housing** (skyrocketing rents; median home price is \$813,980); **homelessness** (half of nation's total); **poverty** (highest rate in nation); **prisons & crime** (homicides increased 31% statewide in 2020). *These Newsom failures made inequities for women & people of color worse.*

Newsom represents a rigged economic & political system that makes the superrich richer. In 2018 Newsom promoted a Trump Republican to make it easier to win a runoff election for governor. In 2020 Newsom received \$226 million in corporate donations for "charity" then provided no-bid contracts & appointments to donors. Newsom's family took \$700,000 from California's largest utility then engineered a massive Wall Street-friendly ratepayer-funded \$21 billion bailout. His spouse's "nonprofit" raised \$10.4 million then pocketed a \$2.3 million salary. The U.S. Supreme Court has reversed Newsom's abuse of power 5 times. His 2007 sexual misconduct scandal included: adultery; betrayal of his best friend; breaking up a new family with a child; unlawful workplace favoritism; taxpayer money misappropriation & alcohol-abuse-disorder. While dining with economic elite influence peddling lobbyists, Newsom exposed his hypocrisy, arrogance & privilege.

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