ATKINS FORMALLY ENTERS RACE TO BECOME NEXT GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

Leader of state Senate launches campaign at Air and Space Museum

BY EMILY ALVAREZ

San Diego City Council President Toni Atkins is running to become California’s next governor; becoming the latest Democrat to launch a campaign in 2024, she also announced Friday in San Diego that she is not the only first person in the state who is also the first woman and first openly gay person to have held both of the state’s top jobs.

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“Today is a very important day in the history of California and the state’s growing campaign to elect a woman governor,” said Atkins, who noted that after 2024, the most qualified candidate will be a woman governor.

Sen. Toni Atkins

DIVISIONS EMERGE IN ISRAEL OVER WAR’S DIRECTION

Biden pushes Netanyahou on creation of Palestinian state

THE NEW YORK TIMES

After nearly 15 weeks of war, sharp divi- sions within Israel over the push forward in the Gaza Strip are increasingly coming into focus.

A member of Israel’s war Cabinet — a moderate politician on the center-left — said Thursday that the country’s government is “in a very tough situation” and that it must work hard to achieve a cease-fire with Hamas.

The government’s top showdown, however, is with the United States, which has previously pressured Israel not to threaten the Islamic nation’s security. While there was no indication that Netanyahou would ease his opposition, which is popular with his fellow party members, Biden expressed optimism that they may yet find their way to a peaceful solution.

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The San Diego Community Power Board (SDCP) approved an average rate reduction of 17.7% for electricity service on Friday, April 27, 2023.

The Average rate reduction is expected to come out in the first quarter of 2023 and will benefit SDCP customers who have signed up for the program before the end of 2024.

The rate reduction is effective immediately and will be retroactive to January 1, 2023.

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