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**Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson
Takes First Place in Race for Supervisor**

Santa Cruz, CA – In the final primary results announced by the Santa Cruz County Registrar of Voters, Santa Cruz City Councilmember Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson has won first place in the race for the Board of Supervisors, District 3.

Kalantari-Johnson has received the endorsement of outgoing Supervisor Ryan Coonerty who said, “With over two decades of public health experience in our community, Shebreh is my clear choice to be the next Supervisor from the 3rd District and I am pleased to see her heading into the run-off in first place.” He continued, saying “With the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade, it is clearer than ever that we need the perspective of a woman of color that Shebreh will bring to the currently all-male Board of Supervisors.”

“I am honored by all the support I have received in this campaign and proud of our effort to come in first in the race for the 3rd District Board of Supervisors,” said Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson. “It has been 10 years since a woman served on the Board of Supervisors and we are well on our way to bringing a woman’s perspective back to the Board this fall.”

Kalantari-Johnson ran a grass-roots campaign focused on talking to voters one-on-one about her experience as a mom, an immigrant, a professional in the fields of public health and social services, and a member of the Santa Cruz City Council. She has highlighted to voters her role in addressing homelessness by co-authoring accountable policies to end encampments and RV street parking to make Santa Cruz’s neighborhoods and open spaces safer for children and families – while getting people the help they need.

“For the fall run-off, I intend to walk every precinct and talk one-on-one to as many voters as I can reach,” Kalantari-Johnson said. “I want to hear what people in the 3rd District want from their Supervisor and communicate to voters why I am the clear choice to move Santa Cruz County forward.”

Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson is the mother of two and serves on the Santa Cruz City Council. A professional grant-writer for non-profits, she has worked to secure over \$30 million in grant funding for Santa Cruz to address immigration rights, mental health and substance use, and youth homelessness over the last 15 years. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology and French from UC Santa Cruz and a Master’s Degree in Social Work from San Jose State.

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