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Statement announcing the electoral priorities of University Democrats for the Fall Semester of 2018

Austin, Texas- The voting leadership of U Dems, U.D.L.C. (University Democrats Leadership Council) has chosen to support the following candidates who are facing contested races in November through forms of *political action*, including blockwalking, phonebanking, and more over the course of the fall semester:

*Beto O'Rourke (US Senate)
*Mike Siegel (US Congress- District 10)
MJ Hegar (US Congress- District 31)
*Lupe Valdez (Governor)
*Mike Collier (Lt. Governor)
Justin Nelson (Attorney General)
*Joi Chevalier (Comptroller of Public Accounts)
Miguel Suazo (Land Commissioner)
Kim Olson (Agriculture Commissioner)
Roman McAllen (Railroad Commissioner)
Vikki Goodwin (Texas House of Representatives- District 47)
James Talarico (Texas House of Representatives- District 52)
John Bucy (Texas House of Representatives- District 136)

The following candidates are facing Republican incumbents or are running to succeed previous Democrats in November, but will only receive on-campus promotion from University Democrats through tabling:

Joseph Kopser (US Congress- District 21)
Julie Oliver (US Congress- District 25)
*Sheryl Cole (Texas House of Representatives- District 46)
*Sylvia Holmes (Justice of the Peace- Pct. 3)

The following incumbents are facing contested races, but will surely see Democratic results in November. U Dems reaffirms its support for these officials and commits to helping them engage students through on-campus promotion:

Lloyd Doggett (US Congress- District 35)
Kirk Watson (Texas Senate- District 14)
Gina Hinojosa (Texas House of Representatives- District 49)

*** Denotes a candidate who received the endorsement of University Democrats during the 2018 March Primary or Primary Run-Off elections.**