



Assembly Member **SANDRÉ SWANSON**  
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## Swanson Releases Statement On New Republican Leadership

**(Sacramento)** – After receiving news of the Republican Caucus’ election of new leadership, Assemblymember Sandré R. Swanson (D-Alameda) said:

“I am saddened with Assemblymember Mike Villines’ decision to vacate his leadership role. I found him to be a member who clearly understood that given our current economic crisis, doing nothing was not an option. I see Assemblymember Sam Blakeslees’ ascension to the leadership role as a positive. I think he is an intelligent and balanced member of our house. I have confidence he will also seek real solutions to our current crisis.”

Assemblymember Swanson is Chair of the California Legislative Black Caucus.

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