

Pro Statehood Slate Poised for Commanding Victory in Puerto Rico Democratic Party Leadership Elections

Current Puerto Rico National Committeeman to the DNC Luis Davila Pernas leads New Progressive slate as candidate for Chair

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- A pro statehood slate, led by attorney and public servant Luis Dávila Pernas, is poised for a significant victory in the upcoming [Puerto Rico Democratic Party](#) leadership elections this Saturday, March 16, 2024. This election underscores the pivotal role of the Puerto Rico Democratic Party in shaping the political discourse both locally and nationally, highlighting its unique position in organizing Puerto Rico's Presidential Primaries and managing the territory's substantial representation at the Democratic National Convention.



Candidate for PR Dems Chair Luis Dávila Pernas

Since 1904, Puerto Rico has been an active participant in the Democratic National Convention, with its delegation often outnumbering those of about half of the states in the union. This year, under the leadership of Dávila Pernas, the Puerto Rico Democratic Party seeks to further its commitment to inclusivity and representation, reflecting the diverse political spectrum of the Democratic Party.

Luis Dávila Pernas, currently at the helm of the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration (PRFAA) in Washington, DC, has been a cornerstone in fostering relations between the Federal Government and Puerto Rico. His experience and leadership as Puerto Rico's National Committeeman to the Democratic National Committee since 2017 have been instrumental in bringing to the forefront the aspirations of the Puerto Rican people within the Democratic Party.

Democratic members of the local New Progressive Party (NPP), itself a broad coalition of island

Democrats and Republicans advocating for Puerto Rico's statehood, form the backbone of Dávila Pernas's slate, showcasing the unity and diversity within the Democratic Party's ideological spectrum. This contrasts starkly with the opposing slate from the Popular Democratic Party, which favors maintaining the current territorial status—a stance increasingly regarded as colonial by both the broader political spectrum in Puerto Rico and national Democrats.

Dávila Pernas, who considers himself a progressive, has garnered support across party lines, notably receiving the endorsement of the statehood faction of the Citizen's Victory Movement, a testament to his inclusive approach and his commitment to advocating for Puerto Rico's statehood. The opposition, led by a local mayor and candidate for Puerto Rico State Senator from the Popular Democratic Party, [has criticized national Democratic positions on social issues](#), specifically abortion, suggesting that Democrats can hold anti-abortion views. [This stance has previously sparked controversy](#) over conservative comments on social matters.

As Puerto Rico stands at a crossroads, the leadership of Luis Dávila Pernas and his pro-statehood slate represents a beacon of hope and progress for the future. Their victory in the upcoming elections will not only mark a significant milestone for the Puerto Rico Democratic Party but also for the island's quest for statehood and full democracy.

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