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Troy Carter surrounded by family, friends and supporters after being re-elected to represent Louisiana 2nd Congressional District. In his speech he spoke about his record of getting things done by building coalitions among Democrats, Republicans and Independents.

Edwin Buggage
Editor-in-Chief Data News Weekly

A Call for Unity

This election cycle has put our Democracy to the test. Truly, the nation is divided, but it is time for not

only our nation but also our city and state to begin to build bridges that connect to our common interests as citizens.

The spirit of this laudable goal was on full display in the victory speech by U.S. Congressman Troy Carter, who was elected with a commanding victory winning 60% of the vote.

Surrounded by his family and supporters, he noted the ways he's been effective by building coalitions and reaching across party lines to bring resources into the district.

"We have a melting pot of support in Louisiana 2nd District, Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. We recognize that people over politics is a winning formula."

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Oliver Thomas, City Councilmember District E and Terry Davis, Director of Mayor's Office of Communications.

Carter, whose decades-long political career has been focused on bringing people together and solving problems, spoke of the need for civility in our political discourse.

"The real work begins when this is over, it's time to get back to governance, it's time to get back to the business of the people bringing civility and decorum back to the discussion bringing the needs of the American people."

"It is at this time that we must continue to build a coalition, where



Business Leader Troy Henry, Civic and Business Leader Dottie Reese and her husband Orleans Parish Civil District Court Judge Kern Reese.

we can all have a seat at the table, this is how we will make life better for all in the 2nd Congressional District and across our state and our nation."

U.S. House District LA- 6

At press time, Democratic Candidate, Cleo Fields had 50.8 percent of the vote in the race for the newly created U.S. House District 6.

Local Ballot Measures

Affordable Housing: New Orleans will create a housing trust

fund after 75% of voters agreed to earmark 2% of the city's general fund for efforts to support Affordable Housing.

- It's now up to City Council to decide how the money will be used under that banner.

Worker Bill of Rights: New Orleans voters approved a measure enshrining a "Worker Bill of Rights" into the document outlining how the city functions with 80% saying yes to the change.

- The symbolic move isn't binding for employers but states that



Larry Barabino, Jr., CEO of the New Orleans Recreation Department Commission (NORDC) and Congressman Troy Carter.

workers have a right to a fair living wage, paid leave, Comprehensive Health Care Coverage and the right to organize a union.

At-Will Employment: Voters decided to allow some Jefferson Parish staffers who work for the Parish President and Council to be termed as at-will employees. The measure passed with 60% of the vote.

Security Districts: In Mid-City, Lakeview and Stonebridge, voters agreed to funding security districts.

School Board: New Orleans Public Schools will also get a new school board member with the election of KaTrina Chantelle Griffin for District 4. Eric "Doc" Jones and Gabriela Biro will head to a runoff for the District 2 seat on December 7, 2024.

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Troy Carter Campaign Victory Celebration

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U.S. Congressman Troy Carter won convincingly on Election Night garnering (Blank percentage) of the vote. The event will be held on [Date and Time] at [Venue]. At the event, he thanked his team which consisted of his supporters who have been instrumental throughout his campaign. Attendees watched live results as they came in and celebrated the culmination of months of hard work during the campaign. He noted in his next term, he would continue to bring resources to the constituents of the 2nd Congressional District. Data News Weekly was there.



Congressman Troy Carter (C) with Terry Jones (L), Data News Weekly Publisher and Edwin Buggage (R), Data News Weekly Editor-in-Chief.

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NEW ORLEANS

Saints Fire Head Coach Dennis Allen After 2-7 Start

Data News Staff Edited Report

What many fans of the Black and Gold have been saying for the last two seasons, the day has finally come. On Monday, after the Saints lost their seventh straight game, he was let go by the organization.

Allen has been the head coach of the Saints since 2022 and has secured an 18-25 record in that time. New Orleans had been pegged to be a strong team in 2024, but their record and performance thus far have led to Allen being let go.

Allen has now released a statement to the team and thanked the organization for his time leading the Saints.

"I want to take this opportunity to first and foremost thank Gayle Benson for the opportunity to be the head coach of the New Orleans Saints. The organization will always be near and dear to my heart, and I am disappointed the results weren't better. I also want to thank Mickey Loomis for the support he and his staff provided



Saints Coach Dennis Allen was fired this week after a disappointing beginning to the season, during which the Black and Gold have lost seven straight games. Assistant Head Coach Darren Rizzi has been named interim Head Coach for the rest of the 2024 season.

throughout the entire time I was with the organization."

"I am proud to have worked alongside some great coaches, both as an assistant and during my time as the head coach. To those men, I am sincerely grateful for the time and effort they put into their jobs. I am also grateful for the entire staff that worked hard to provide the

support and will miss our daily interactions."

"To every player, thank you for your efforts and contributions. As I said on Sunday, I never questioned your dedication and resolve and I am sorry the results weren't better, because they were certainly deserved."

"Lastly, to the Saints fans and

residents of New Orleans, I want to thank you for your unwavering passion and support of the team. I realize what a privilege it is to coach a special franchise in a great city, and I will fondly remember the opportunity I had to coach the Saints. I wish everyone with the Saints the best of luck and success going forward."

After the firing of Allen, General

Manager Mickey Loomis had a few comments regarding the move and Allen's time in New Orleans. This came in the form of a news release posted by the Saints shortly after Allen's firing in the early morning. Loomis was quoted as saying:

"DA is an excellent football coach. This season, we have had an avalanche of injuries. It took its toll. DA has never offered excuses; he fought each day for this organization and this team and that is what makes today disappointing. Dennis has been an integral part of this organization's success for the better part of twenty years. He will be missed."

The Saints announced that Darren Rizzi, the Saints' Assistant Head Coach and Special Team's Coordinator, will now serve as Interim Head Coach for the remainder of the season.

They're sure to be plenty of suitors to take over the Saints' job when the time comes. One of them is Bill Belichick, who surprisingly missed out on the head coach hiring cycle in 2024.

State & Local News

City of New Orleans Launches "Mayor for a Day" Program to Inspire Youth Leadership

City of New Orleans

The City of New Orleans is excited to announce the launch of its "Mayor for a Day" Program, an initiative in the Office of Youth and Families (OYF) designed to foster and encourage leadership among young people in our community. This program, open to New Orleans youth ages 11 to 18, invites participants to write essays envisioning how they would lead the city if given the opportunity to be Mayor for a Day.

Three winners will be selected from the entries and given a unique chance to step into the role of Mayor, shadowing Mayor LaToya Cantrell to learn firsthand about the responsibilities and decisions involved in city leadership. Winners will also have the opportunity to hold



Mayor LaToya Cantrell

their own meetings with leadership aligned with the content of their essay. Each winner will be officially sworn in as "Mayor for a Day," experiencing an empowering journey that highlights the importance of civic engagement and the impact that leaders can have on their communities.

"The "Mayor for a Day" Program is a powerful way to help young people feel connected to their city and see how their voices and ideas can shape our future," said Mayor LaToya Cantrell. "This program is about more than just learning – it's about inspiring the next generation of New Orleans leaders to make a difference."

"The "Mayor for a Day" Program encourages young minds to consider pressing issues in New Orleans, envision solutions, and think critically about the role of leadership" said Asya Howlette, OYF Director. "With this initiative, OYF seeks to plant the seeds of civic responsibility, community involvement, and proactive leadership."

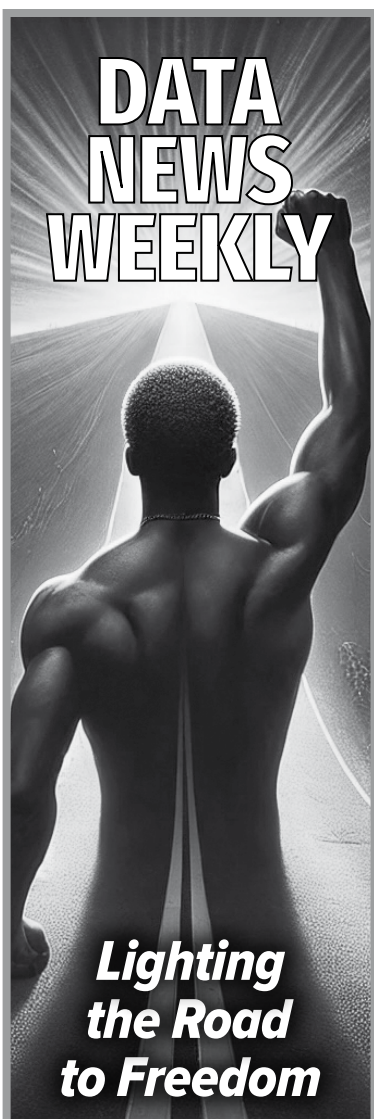
How to Participate:

New Orleans youth ages 11 to 18 are encouraged to submit essays about their vision for the city. Interested participants can share how they would tackle current challenges, improve city resources, or bring new ideas to enhance life in New Orleans. Selected winners will be notified by mid-December and will experience their day as Mayor in Spring 2025.

Submission Information:

Submission deadline- Nov. 20th. How to Submit: Essays should be submitted online via www.nola.gov/m4day Instructions for other methods of submission are outlined on the website.

For more information about the "Mayor for a Day" Program, please contact Wilneicha.Videau@nola.gov.



Donald Trump Elected 47th President of the United States

Data News Staff Edited Report



President-elect Donald J. Trump.

Donald Trump has been elected president, defeating Democratic opponent Kamala Harris. As of Wednesday morning, Trump has won at least 270 electoral college votes, with results still coming in.

Votes are still being tallied, but he is expected to also win the popular vote.

When he won in 2016, Trump won the electoral college vote and lost the popular vote. In 2020, he lost both the electoral college and the popular vote. In the years since he's been president, Trump became the first president to face criminal charges and the first president to be a convicted felon. He becomes just the second president in history to serve non-consecutive terms (the first was Grover Cleveland, in the 1800s).

The Associated Press report-

ed that Trump's victory "validates his bare-knuckle approach to politics. He attacked his Democratic rival, Kamala Harris, in

deeply personal – often misogynistic and racist – terms as he pushed an apocalyptic picture of a country overrun by violent migrants. The coarse rhetoric, paired with an image of hyper-masculinity, resonated with angry voters – particularly men – in a deeply polarized nation."

On Wednesday November 6, 2024, Harris called Trump to congratulate him on his electoral victory. On the call Harris discussed the importance of a peaceful transfer of power and stressed the need for Trump to be a president for all Americans according to a senior aide to the vice president.

Harris delivered remarks at Howard University, where she thanked her supporters and spoke of the country coming together after this election, echoing her campaign theme of building bridges that unify all Americans.

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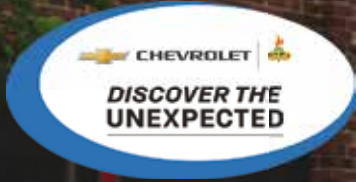
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