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# BROWN IN, PELOSI OUT

GOP takes House, forcing San Francisco representative from speaker's chair

Whitman's millions can't stop former governor from a return engagement



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Jerry Brown stands with wife Anne Gust and waves to supporters after giving a victory speech at the Fox Theater in downtown Oakland.

## Brown's win brings governor's office back to Democrats

By Carla Marinucci, Wyatt Buchanan, and John Wildermuth  
CHRONICLE POLITICAL WRITERS

Former Gov. Jerry Brown — defying both a crushing conservative wave sweeping the nation and a tsunami of spending by his billionaire opponent — handily beat eBay CEO Meg Whitman Tuesday, a historic win that returns the 72-year-old Democrat to the post he held nearly three decades ago as California's chief executive.

"It looks like I'm going back again,"  
*Governor continues on A8*

» **Pot:** Measure to legalize possession of marijuana under California law is defeated. **A16**

» **Budget:** Voters agree that the state budget may be passed by a simple Legislative majority. **A17**

» **Parks:** Measure to fund parks through a vehicle-registration fee fails to pass. **A18**

## Boxer turns back Fiorina's challenge, secures 4th term

By Joe Garofoli  
CHRONICLE STAFF WRITER

In a race Republicans needed to win to take over the U.S. Senate, Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer fought off a fierce challenge from former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina and defeated the Republican first-time office-seeker.

The battle drew national attention — and millions in independent expenditures from outside California — as Boxer was seen as vulnerable in a year where incumbency and loyalty to President Obama were considered liabilities.

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» **Lieutenant governor:** Gavin Newsom takes the state's No. 2 office from incumbent Abel Maldonado. **A10**

» **Attorney general:** Steve Cooley leading tight race with Kamala Harris. **A10**

» **Oakland:** Former state Sen. Don Perata leads mayor's race but runoff still possible. **A11**

## Pelosi nears end of reign as voters vent their anger

By Carolyn Lochhead  
CHRONICLE WASHINGTON BUREAU

WASHINGTON — Voters toppled House Speaker Nancy Pelosi from power Tuesday, four years after she became the first female speaker in history, handing the majority of the House of Representatives to Republicans in a landslide surpassing the historic election of 1994.

With polls closed but returns in the West still not tallied, Republicans had won 233 seats to the Democrats' 174. Republicans defeated 58 incumbent Democrats, a stunning blow to President Obama.  
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