

DFL delegates endorse Anderson-Keliher

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Margaret Anderson-Keliher thanked DFL supporters Monday for selecting her to become the party's standard bearer in this fall's Minnesota Governor race. She won the party's endorsement Saturday in the party's state endorsing convention in Duluth.

Anderson-Keliher still faces opposition from at least two strong DFL candidates who say they will seek nomination by DFL voters in the August Primary Election.

Former Senator Mark Dayton had previously announced he would take his case directly to DFL voters by placing his name on the ballot in the Primary Election. Former DFL House Leader Matt Entenza used the convention to announce he would not seek endorsement by the convention, but, like Dayton, would seek to become the party nominee for governor by competing against other DFLers in the August Primary.

"It's been a whirlwind since we clinched the DFL endorsement late on Saturday night, and I want you to know that we won because of your strong support of this campaign," Anderson-Keliher said in a fundraising letter to DFLers. "We built the best organization and the strongest convention team and we simply could not have done it without you and the thousands of great Minnesotans supporting us." [Victory Speech](#) "There's no two ways about it," she said. "Today, I'm writing from my statewide DFL Unity Tour with Sen. Al Franken, Rep. Tim Walz, Rep. Betty McCollum, Rep. Keith Ellison, Secretary of State Mark Ritchie, State Auditor Rebecca Otto, Mayor R.T. Rybak, State Sen. John Marty, State Rep. Paul Thissen, Mayor Chris Coleman, DFL Chair Brian Melendez, and DFL Associate Chair Donna Cassutt. We're visiting Bloomington, Mankato, Rochester and Morehead today and we'll be criss-crossing the state visiting other communities in the coming weeks," she said.

She added: "the Pawlenty administration has been devastating for so many Minnesotans. It is so critical that we put a DFLer back in the governor's office this year."

Republicans this week will decide who will be their endorsed candidate for the August Primary.