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Here's a review of Democratic Nov 6 election wins published by the Democratic National Committee (DNC)

At least 29 House seats flipped
7 governor seats flipped
6 legislative chambers flipped, and 7 this cycle
4 Republican super-majorities in state legislatures broken
4 Attorney General seats flipped
2 Secretary of State seats flipped
3 state Supreme Court seats flipped
1 Senate seat flipped
Oh, and we flipped more than 330 (!) state legislative seats this cycle.

Here's more takeaways on last night's results.

- **DEMOCRATS EXPANDED THE MAP:** The Democratic Party is a 50-state party again. Democrats are organizing everywhere, and we organized everywhere early. We'll continue to expand the map in 2019 and 2020.
 - We flipped House seats from upstate New York to Texas to Oklahoma.
 - We took back governors' mansions from Maine to Kansas to New Mexico.
 - We flipped state legislative chambers from New Hampshire to Colorado.
 - We flipped four attorney general seats in WI, NV, CO and MI with wins by Josh Kaul, Aaron Ford, Phil Weiser and Dana Nessel
- **DIVERSITY WINS:** Democrats believe diversity is a strength. Just look at some of who we elected last night:
 - The first African American women to represent Massachusetts and Connecticut in Congress
 - The first Muslim women to serve in the House
 - The first Latinas in the House from Texas
 - The first Native American women in the House
 - The first Native American woman elected statewide in Minnesota
 - The first openly gay governor elected in the country
- **YEAR OF WOMEN:** Women are leading the resistance, and they led the Democrats to victory in the House of Representatives and in governorships across the country.
 - Exit polling shows that Trump has a 39-60 approve-disapprove rating among women.
 - We have flipped a total of 29 House seats - 19 of those by women.
 - We've expanded the number of female Democratic governors from two to at least six with wins by Laura Kelly, Janet Mills, Gretchen Whitmer, and Michelle Lujan Grisham.

- **HEALTHCARE #1 ISSUE:** That's what our candidates ran on and that's what they'll look forward to working on in Congress.
 - Exit polling confirmed that health care is the #1 issue for voters in America, and health care voters went for Democrats by [52 points](#) (75-23).
 - Three states -- Utah, Nebraska, and Idaho -- voted to expand Medicaid.
- **GAINS FOR REDISTRICTING:** Flipping control of governorships and statehouses is critical to our party's 2020 redistricting strategy, because they are tasked with redrawing a state's legislative maps.
 - Democrats flipped at least 330 state legislative seats this cycle.
 - Democrats flipped control of 7 governorships in the heartland, the Southwest, and the Northeast.
 - Democrats flipped at least 2 Secretary of State seats last night with wins by Jena Griswold in CO and Jocelyn Benson in MI.
- **NEW REALITY FOR TRUMP:** The big loser of the midterms is Donald Trump. His unpopularity hurt Republicans up and down the ballot, and Democrats won back voters who were not satisfied with his agenda.
 - Democrats won Senate and governors' races across the Rust Belt states -- Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin -- that helped elect Trump president.
 - Trump's endorsements "[meant squat](#)." At least [32](#) Trump-backed candidates lost last night.