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Super Tuesday departs from usual

Biden, Trump close in on nominations as Haley wins Vermont

By Will Weissert, Bill Barrow and Chris Megerian Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Joe Biden and his predecessor, Donald Trump, were romping to coast-to-coast victories on Super Tuesday, all but cementing a November rematch and increasing pressure on the former president's last major rival, Nikki Haley, to leave the Republican race.

Biden and Trump had each won Texas, Alabama, Colorado, Maine, Oklahoma, Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, Minnesota and Massachusetts. Biden also won the Democratic primaries in Utah, Vermont and Iowa.

Haley won Vermont, but the former president carried other states that might have been favorable to her such as Virginia and Maine — which have large swaths of moderate voters like those who have backed her in previous primaries. Not enough states will have voted until later this month for Trump or Biden to formally become their parties' presumptive nominees. But the primary's biggest day made their rematch a near certainty. Both the 81-year-old Biden and the 77-year-old Trump continue to dominate their parties despite facing questions about age and neither having broad popularity across the general electorate.

Excepting Vermont, the only contest either of them lost Tuesday was the Democratic caucus in American Samoa, a tiny U.S. territory in the South Pacific Ocean. Biden was defeated by previously unknown candidate Jason Palmer, 51 votes to 40.

Haley, who has argued both Biden and Trump are too old to return to the White House, was spending election night watching results in the Charleston, South Carolina, area, where she lives. Her campaign website doesn't list any

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Maria Perez, center, hands out diapers, wipes and formula outside a migrant shelter on the Lower West Side on Monday in Chicago. Migrants told the Tribune that they are not always allowed to bring in donations from outside, and they're scared to talk to the media for fear of being kicked out of the

Migrants say shelter staff limits hygiene products

They report fear of retaliation for speaking out; city official denies rationing

By Nell Salzman Chicago Tribune

Migrants living in the city's shelters say that staff is limiting the number of hygiene products they receive to use in the bathroom and retaliating against them for accepting donations, according to interviews with migrants and volunteers who advocate for them.

The reports of rationing hygiene products come after the Tribune last week reported that a shortage of essential supplies in the city's shelters forced some parents to reuse dirty diapers on their babies. On Sunday, volunteers distributing boxes of diapers at a city shelter on the Lower West Side said migrants told them they were being retaliated against because they are accepting donated supplies amid the shortages.

"There's concern that when they talk to us or they take our supplies, they get in trouble," said Southwest Collective founder Jaime Groth Searle.

Migrants outside the shelter on the Lower West Side said they'd been penalized over the past few weeks for trying to bring in outside donations to the shelter. Women reported that shelter staff would only give them one sanitary pad a day while they're on their period and that they're forced to ask for toilet paper

before using the bathroom. They

said they feel threatened by staff and scared to ask for supplies.

"You have to go up and ask for a pad and they give you one and then make a note of where you're sleeping so you can't ask for more," said a woman staying at the shelter who didn't want to give her name for fear of being kicked out.

A spokeswoman for the city denied that shelter staff was

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CPS board plan clears hurdle in Ill. Senate

House gets next crack at measure for hybrid panel backed by CTU

By Jeremy Gorner Chicago Tribune

SPRINGFIELD - The Democratic-controlled Illinois Senate on Tuesday passed a plan that would create a hybrid elected school board in Chicago this fall, with half of the members voted in by residents and the rest appointed by Mayor Brandon Johnson.

Legislators failed last fall to resolve the contentious issue of shaping Chicago's first elected school board, and some Senate Democrats made it known that they still had problems with the latest proposal, which is backed by Johnson and the Chicago Teachers Union. It ultimately passed in

The bill now goes back to the House, which approved a similar plan last fall.

Lawmakers are up against a self-imposed April 1 deadline to implement the process, which includes putting a school board map in place, ahead of the November general election.

The plan passed by the Senate on Tuesday aligns with the 2021 law that created the school board. After the initial round of elections for half the board, Chicago Public Schools would transition to a fully elected board after the 2026 election under this proposal.

Senate President Don Harmon of Oak Park agreed to the plan after pushing last fall for the election of all 20 board members in the first round of voting. During a Senate Executive Committee hearing Tuesday, he said that he went along with the House plan because it had the endorsement of Johnson, a former CTU organizer and a Harmon ally.

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Bears place franchise tag on cornerback

Bears place franchise tag on Jaylon Johnson, buying time to reach an extension with the Pro Bowl cornerback. Chicago Sports

Officials write letters supporting Mapes

Judges, ex-legislators and the Cook County clerk author letters of support for convicted Springfield insider Tim Mapes. Chicagoland

Man found guilty in slaying of Officer French

Jury out less than 4 hours; verdict caps 'trying week' for family

By Madeline Buckley Chicago Tribune

A jury on Tuesday convicted a man accused of shooting and killing Chicago police Officer Ella French and injuring her partner after the panel spent days viewing harrowing body-camera footage and hearing emotional testimony from police officers and other witnesses.

Emonte Morgan, 23, was found guilty of killing French, and of attempted murder for seriously injuring Officer Carlos Yanez Jr. and an attempted murder count in connection with Officer Joshua Blas during a traffic stop on Aug 7, 2021.

The verdict was read to a hushed courtroom with a heavy presence of deputies lining

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Chicago police Officer Carlos Yanez Jr., center left, and Elizabeth French, mother of slain Chicago police Officer Ella French, center right, exit following closing arguments Tuesday. JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE





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