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MICHAEL STRAHAN: New overnight, the fight for the future of the Democratic Party. The high-stakes primaries and a big night for New York City Mayor Mamdani.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: New Overnight; Sweep for Candidates Endorsed by NYC Mayor Mamdani]

STRAHAN: And we're going to go now to results coming in from high-stakes primaries. Some of the most closely watched contests were here in New York for seats in Congress, and it was a big night for Mayor Zohran Mamdani and the candidates he backed. Jay O'Brien is on Capitol Hill with the latest for us. Good morning, Jay.

JAY O'BRIEN: Michael, good morning to you. Exactly right. A big night for New York Mayor Zohran Mamdani taking on the Democratic establishment, putting his political influence on the line and helping hand-picked candidates get to primary wins that now call into question the ideological future of the Democratic Party itself. Mamdani tapping three candidates who ran to the left of their Democratic opponents, who were endorsed by more establishment figures like House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries. All three of them winning and two even unseating sitting Democratic members of Congress, like Dan Goldman, who was beaten by former New York City Comptroller Brad Lander in a race that focused around the war in Gaza, and Goldman's support for Israel. Mamdani's endorsement also helping Democratic socialist Daria Avila Chevalier beat sitting Democratic Congressman Adriano Espaillat.

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That was a tight race. After last night, Mamdani endorsement clear — its weight of it clear in New York City, but it's unclear exactly how far his influence extends beyond deep blue New York City. For instance, in swing districts, Democrats need to flip those if they want to take back the House come November, voters are opting, in many cases for more moderate choices like tapping combat veteran Cait Conley last night to face off against New York Republican Congressman Mike Lawler. That race, come the fall, is going to be critical, Robin.

ROBIN ROBERTS: We'll see what — that happens ahead.