Editorial

Bachrach the clear choice in 8th CD

From the beginning, the focus of attention in the 8th Congressional District Democratic nomination has been on one man, James Roosevelt. He enjoys the luxury of a lack of experience, Kennedy's name, wealth, and looks have made him the favorite in the race to succeed Thomas P. O'Neill.

However, State Senator Carl H. Bachrach has demonstrated that he can command the broad base of support necessary to defeat Kennedy. Bachrach is a young, able and enterprising businessman, with no track record and no established credentials. Bachrach is an experienced state senator with an impeccable voting record.

As a state senator representing Belmont, Watertown, and parts of Allston, Brighton, and Cambridge, Bachrach's face and policies are familiar to a large number of voters. For those members of the MIT community living in the Back Bay and that part of Cambridge south of Harvard Square, more explanation is necessary.

Bachrach has long been known as a reformist and a maverick on Beacon Hill, and has been outspoken on his differences with State Senate President William M. Bulger. Attracting attention with quiet oratory, Bachrach stands behind his convictions, to the point of being arrested in Boston while protesting the sale of Kruegerlands at Deak-Pepet.

At an MIT rally, Bachrach called for "a quick, small cut of $35 billion from the military budget, say- tical politics of elitism and exclusion.

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