

**RESOLUTION 18-07.01**

**Resolution in Support of Self-Determination**

WHEREAS in 1900 and 1904, the traditional leaders of the islands now called American Sāmoa signed deeds of cession with the United States, which include cultural protections of hereditary chiefs and customary lands; and

WHEREAS many U.S. Nationals in American Sāmoa and the diaspora, in addition to the Government of American Sāmoa, disagree with non-consultative efforts to impose birthright citizenship in their islands because such acts violate the American Sāmoan people's right to self-determination; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the self-determination of U.S. Nationals in American Sāmoa and all native peoples; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be communicated to the Democratic Members of the California Congressional Delegation and to American Sāmoa's Delegate to the United States House of Representatives Aumua Amata Coleman Radewagen.

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.05**

**Resolution Opposing Trump's Federal Overreach to Dictate and Control California's Statewide Water Distribution System.**

WHEREAS the DONALD J. TRUMP ADMINISTRATION has installed new department heads in most every federal agency whose Republican policy it is to enrich corporations, their executive officers, special interest groups and lobbyists who played a key role in getting Trump elected many of whom are operatives in California's Central Valley represented by Devin Nunes, Tom McClintock and Kevin McCarthy; and

WHEREAS in a Federal Register Notice dated December 29, 2017 the DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR and its agency, the BUREAU OF RECLAMATION announced the Trump Administration's intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a project which is vaguely described as "Revisions" involving a "coordinated" long term operation of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project and related facilities which has the stated objective to the effect of "maximize water supply delivery to the Central Valley" leaving open ended and untethered the amount of water, from whence that water would come from and the means of conveyance and further implying that there is water available for export from others meanwhile failing to identify or disguising whose purpose that the newly conveyed water would serve; and

WHEREAS the State of CALIFORNIA's own empirical tests are conclusive that the economic security of the Delta estuary and north requires reduced, not increased, water transfers; and that water conservation measures within the central valley and elsewhere such as drip system irrigation, recycling, reuse, pipe replacement, reclamation of brackish, pesticides and fertilizers, and industrially contaminated water and a moratorium on fracking would increase water availability thus alleviating pressure on deliveries AND the people of California have therefore passed Prop 1 with approved funding for state sponsored water projects; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party urges all statewide officials including the California Attorney General to reject and challenge Reclamation's "Revision" project as overly vague, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party that this resolution be sent to all of California's Democratic federal and state Officials.

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.07**

**Urge all CA DNC Members to Support DNC Superdelegate Reform**

WHEREAS the California Democratic Party believes our party – in order to engage youth, people of color, the working class, and rural voters – all constituencies crucial to a 50-state winning strategy – must not allow Trump or the Republican Party to masquerade as the party of peace, security, and populism or the party that will supposedly make America great again, all the while tearing down our institutions, polluting our environment, creating generational theft to the top 1%, orchestrating the passage of the most bloated and unnecessary military budget in world history, and kidnapping children from their immigrant parents who were fleeing violence and seeking asylum;

WHEREAS the California Democratic Party believes – in order to regain control at the federal and state level -- we must address problems inherent in our presidential primary process as soon as possible, so we can work together to strengthen and reaffirm our Democratic Party as the party of progressive values that rejects neo-liberalism -- deregulation, privatization, and trickle down economics -- to instead uplift us all while investing our public resources in the common good;

WHEREAS the California Democratic Party recognizes that the 2016 Democratic National Convention unanimously adopted the resolution creating the Unity Reform Commission that led to the subsequent superdelegate reform proposal -- endorsed by both DNC Chair and DNC Deputy Chair, as well as more than 30 Members of Congress -- that passed unanimously out of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee, to reduce the unpledged superdelegates’ influence in the presidential nominating process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the California Democratic Party urges the Democratic National Committee to address the influence of unpledged superdelegates in the Democratic presidential primary process by passing much-needed superdelegate reform that would essentially bar unpledged delegates from voting on the first ballot at National Conventions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to all California DNC Members, DNC Chair and Deputy Chair, California’s Democratic Congressional delegation, and Democratic leaders in both the House and Senate.

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.09**

**Prioritizing Gun Violence Prevention**

WHEREAS there is an epidemic of gun violence in the United States—according to the Brady Campaign, approximately 30,000+ people die from gun violence every year and 80,000+ survive gun injuries—as evidenced by persistent and continuing tragedies including shootings in Las Vegas, Parkland, Orlando, Sutherland Springs, Sandy Hook, San Bernardino, Aurora, Columbine, Granada Hills, Rancho Tehama, San Ysidro and countless other communities devastated by gun violence; and

WHEREAS the firearm homicide rate is 22x higher in the United States than the combined rates of 22 similar countries, American children die as a result of gun violence roughly 11x more often than children in other high-income countries, millions of guns are sold every year in “no questions asked” transactions, and experts estimate 40% of gun sales in the United States are done without a Brady background check despite the fact that 3,000,000 attempts to purchase firearms by criminals have been successfully blocked due to background checks since the Brady law passed; and

WHEREAS a New York Times poll conducted in June 2016 found that significant majorities of Americans support actions to strengthen gun laws including: banning sales to known or suspected terrorists (89%), banning sales to those reported as dangerous by a mental health provider (87%), ensuring universal background checks (86%), licensing of owners (78%), registering guns nationally (70%), banning high capacity magazines (63%), and banning sales and ownership of semi-automatic guns (63%).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the following efforts being advanced by the gun violence prevention movement: banning possession of all semi-automatic guns, self loading shotguns, high capacity magazines, and “bump stocks” (similar to highly effective bans in Australia and other high income democratic countries); prohibiting possession of guns by individuals deemed dangerous and all youth under the age of 21; requiring background checks for all gun and ammunition sales; licensing gun owners and requiring owners carry liability insurance; tracking all guns in a national registry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party also supports: funding for scientific research into gun violence including allowing the CDC to study the problem as a public health issue; encouraging physicians, health care providers, and teachers to ask about guns in the home and educating parents about safe gun storage; and championing candidates and elected officials refusing to accept money from the NRA thereby curtailing the dangerous influence of the gun lobby.

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#### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.11***

#### **Expressing Opposition and Outrage of the Democratic Party for Human Rights Abuses, Negligence, Unlawful Detention, the Forcible Separation of Children from parents at our Southern Border**

WHEREAS the American Civil Liberties Union, in its 2018 report, documented pervasive physical, sexual and emotional abuse of migrant children by Homeland Security and ICE agents at our Southern Border, including, but not limited to, teenagers run over by border protection officials and subsequently beaten; a young girl who was forced to spread her legs and was molested by federal agents, a pregnant teen whose cry for medical attention was ignored which resulted in a stillborn birth; multiple children threatened with rape and death; children forced to sleep in holding pens on concrete floors; all of which has led to an overwhelming atmosphere of fear, isolation, medical emergencies and death at our Southern border; and

WHEREAS Trump’s Administration disregarded United Nations Human Rights Office standards for treatment of refugees and implemented a zero tolerance policy at our Southern border which included, but was not limited to, the unlawful abduction of children forcibly removed from their parents who have been criminalized, even though many are lawfully seeking asylum from deadly and dangerous circumstances in other countries thereby violating their constitutional right to due process and resulting in the United Nations Human Rights Office calling upon the U.S. to stop separating children from parents because separation as a deterrent to illegal immigration runs counter to human rights standards and principles, a policy which has only recently been reversed due to public outcry; and, separately, creating a system without background checks, tracking or oversight for children released from federal custody which has resulted in them being handed over to human traffickers, and children who could not be located; and

WHEREAS the Trump Administration has fueled an atmosphere of hatred and discrimination against all immigrants seeking refuge in the US at our Southern border which has led to intolerance and an increase in discrimination and poor treatment of immigrant communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party affirms its commitment to take action against abusive, immoral, inhumane and illegal treatment of migrant children at our Southern border and calls upon the Congressional Democratic Delegation and our State legislature to take immediate steps to insure that migrant children are tracked for family unification and, in the interim, placed with organizations designed to care for the emotional, physical, medical, and educational needs of minors, with proper oversight and monitoring by independent institutions;

FURTHER RESOLVED to send a copy to the CDP distribution list.

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.13**

**Charter School Transparency and Accountability**

WHEREAS local public schools in California are closing the achievement gap and investing in students with the greatest needs by implementing evidence-based strategies, providing stable learning environments, and employing highly skilled education professionals; and

WHEREAS charter schools with privately appointed boards do not represent the public but make decisions about how public tax dollars are spent; and

WHEREAS the Democratic National Committee's 2016 Party Platform states: " Democrats oppose for-profit charter schools focused on making a profit off of public resources and we believe that high-quality public charter schools should provide options for parents, but should not replace or destabilize traditional public schools; charter schools must reflect their communities, and thus must accept and retain proportionate numbers of students of color, students with disabilities and English Language Learners in relation to their neighborhood public schools and we support increased transparency and accountability for all charter schools"; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party opposes for profit Charter schools and Charter management organizations, supports charter schools following the same public information, transparency and conflict of interest laws as public schools and supports traditional public schools and charter schools working together to ensure a coordinated approach to meeting the educational needs of their communities.

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is sent to all members of the Democratic legislative delegation to the California State Assembly and Senate, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Governor.

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Sponsored by San Diego County DCC; Michelle Krug Cody Petterson, Assembly District 78; Jess Durfee, Assembly District 78

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.14**

**Resolution Calling for Full and Fair Funding of California's Public Schools**

WHEREAS California has the fifth largest economy in the world, and the largest Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of any state in the nation and yet, despite California's leadership in the global economy, the state falls in the nation's bottom quintile on nearly every measure of public K-12 school funding and school staffing and ranks 45<sup>th</sup> nationally in the percentage of taxable income spent on education, 41<sup>st</sup> in per-pupil funding, 45<sup>th</sup> in pupil-teacher ratios and 48<sup>th</sup> in pupil-staff ratios; and

WHEREAS K-12 school funding has not substantially increased, adjusting for inflation, for more than a decade and under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), state funding for K-12 schools has only recently returned to levels predating the Great Recession of 2007 and the modest revenue increases since the implementation of LCFF have been eroded by rapidly increasing costs for health care, pensions, transportation and utilities meaning California funds schools at roughly \$1,961 per student less than the national average, which translates to approximately \$3,462 per student when adjusted for California being a high-cost state and our state trails the average of the top ten states by almost \$7,000 in per-pupil funding; and

WHEREAS in order to close opportunity and achievement gaps and create a public school system that offers consistently high levels of education, the State of California must provide full and fair funding levels and appropriate resources to meet student need and keep pace with the nation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party urges the State Legislature to fund California public schools at the national average or higher by the year 2020, and at a level that is equal to or above the average of the top 10 states nationally by 2025 and to maintain, at a minimum, this level of funding until otherwise decreed.

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Sponsored by Tony Hale

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.17**

**Resolution in Support of Public Banks**

WHEREAS the Los Angeles City Council created a motion in July 2017 calling for a study on a Public Bank of Los Angeles that could redirect funds to affordable housing and other needs of the City; and WHEREAS socially responsible Public Banks have the ability to address the needs of the public they serve by returning profits back into the community, including affordable housing, renewable energy, local infrastructure and other public services; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the creation of state-chartered public banks and call for such financial entities to responsibly serve the public and the interests of economic, racial and environmental justice.

Author: Feel the Bern Democratic Club

Sponsored by Los Angeles County Democratic Party

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.18**

**Standing Up Against Sexual Harassment**

WHEREAS the California Democratic Party strongly supports the rights of all individuals to work in a safe and professional environment free from all forms of discrimination, harassment, bullying and abuse including sexual harassment and sexual violence; and

WHEREAS the #MeToo and #WeSaidEnough campaigns have shined a badly needed light on the pervasive sexual harassment which disproportionately impacts women, queer and trans individuals and communities of color every day across all industries and in politics, sparking a long overdue discussion about our party's obligation to ensure that all women, regardless of whether they are activists, elected officials, party officers, staff or volunteers, are able to contribute their time, energy and activism free from harassment and intimidation; and

WHEREAS treating every person equally, with dignity and respect, is a core value of our party, and that should be reflected in our operations and policies at every level; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party stands in solidarity with the victims of sexual harassment and calls on all Democrats to demand policies that eliminate sexual harassment, by allowing victims to confidentially report their harassment in a shame free environment, by protecting whistleblowers, by mandating sexual harassment training at the workplace and by strengthening legal recourse for victims in a more transparent process that holds abusers accountable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party will actively and continually strive to ensure that our party, including its chartered organizations, is a place free from harassment and intimidation, where every person is able to contribute their activism towards building the progressive future our state and country deserve.

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Sponsored by James W. Gallagher and Los Angeles County Democratic Party

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.19**

**Supporting Employee's Rights for the Lawful Off-Duty Use of Cannabis**

WHEREAS Adult-Use Marijuana Act (AUMA) which makes lawful the use of cannabis by adults 21 and over but allows "public and private employers to enact and enforce workplace policies pertaining to cannabis" resulting in employees being terminated for off-duty use of cannabis use; and

WHEREAS for many consumers, cannabis provides the same social facilitation and celebration as alcohol without the negative consequences of alcohol consumption, an employee should not be terminated for consuming cannabis as long as that off-duty conduct does not result in being unable to safely and competently perform their job; and

WHEREAS Adult-Use Marijuana Act (AUMA) can be amended by a two thirds majority vote of the state legislature, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports protecting the rights of all employees to engage in the consumption of cannabis off-duty without the fear of being terminated from their job; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports cannabis consumers to have the same rights to consume cannabis without fear of termination or reprisal, same as consumers of alcohol while respecting employers' duty to provide a drug-free work place.

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.22**

**Prioritization of Avoiding Dates Significant to Democratic Coalition**

WHEREAS one of the modern Democratic Party's biggest strengths is its diversity;  
WHEREAS each group that is a part of the Democratic Party's coalition has its own significant dates such as religious holidays (which are explicitly considered and to be avoided when scheduling Democratic Party Affairs pursuant to CDP Bylaws Article XIII, Section 1), historical dates, Pride celebrations, etc.; and

WHEREAS no Democrat should have to choose between participation in party activities and these significant dates

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party express solidarity during celebrations significant to components of the Party's diverse coalition; and at all levels, will strive to consider the presence of any significant component of the Party's coalition of significant numbers of concentration whose level of participation would be affected when setting the time, dates and locations of Party activities and avoid those scheduling conflicts that would adversely affect the diverse Democratic community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party, would greatly appreciate the assistance of the Party's coalition of significant numbers of concentration in providing the staff with important significant dates to be avoided, if possible, when scheduling Democratic Party affairs.

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Sponsored by Craig Roberts

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.24**

**LGBTQ+ Pride Season**

WHEREAS the modern Pride celebrated worldwide in commemoration of LGBTQ+ rights was founded by trans women of color, drag queens, and queer folk resisting arrest at Stonewall Inn; and

WHEREAS all segments of the LGBTQ+ community including those undocumented, incarcerated, impoverished, and otherwise marginalized by society deserve equal representation and respect within the movement for liberation, but have not always found it; and

WHEREAS the state of California has many progressive laws on the books for the LGBTQ+ population, numerous LGBTQ+ revolutionaries critical to the queer movement originated from California and California prides itself in its diversity, and for these reasons and more, Pride festivities held throughout the state of California hold a special significance and are both attended and viewed by millions worldwide; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party commemorates the 2018 LGBTQ+ Pride Season; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party encourages cities, organizations, and committees responsible for the planning of Pride events to do so in a manner that is rooted in uplifting the oppressed and focused on creating a diverse, welcoming space in which to both celebrate and fight for the freedom of all LGBTQ+ individuals.

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Sponsored by California Democratic Party LGBT Caucus

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.25**

**Deficit Zone Radio**

WHEREAS long stretches of California highways can be characterized as "deficit zones" when it comes to emergency public broadcasts and high quality, educational, free public radio—which "deficit zones" involve underfunded "red" regions where broadcasts are currently largely limited to right wing privately controlled marketing of automatic weapons, ammunition and hate mixed in with extremist religion and xenophobia exemplified in programs such as that presented by Alex Jones, and Rush Limbaugh; and

WHEREAS the State of California through CalTrans manages the right-of-way in deficit zones along I-5 and in the mountain-desert region including I-15 from Cajon to Stateline; I-40 from Barstow to Needles; SR 58 from Barstow to Bakersfield; all of SR95, areas where there is a "car captive" listening audience but a deficit of talk radio programs involving topics such as regional emergencies, road conditions, water, environment and proposed regional projects involving

environmental impacts, environmental justice, health, democratic governance, art, history, theatre, music, economics, and science; and

WHEREAS the State of California through CalTrans has the ability to install structures for emergency radio broadcast capability which broadcasts would be to an audience generated by the availability of high quality public educational radio on the same wavelength serving the State of California's Highway Patrol emergency broadcasts; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the installation of radio broadcasts and facilities required to make emergency and National Public Radio (or similar) educational broadcasts in state and interstate highway deficit zones; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be sent to the California State Legislature for budget consideration, and to CalTrans and the California Highway Patrol for their information.

Author: Ruth Musser-Lopez, Assembly District 33

Sponsored by Desert Bones Democratic Club

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#### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.26***

##### **Resolution Supporting On-Site Cannabis Consumption Events**

WHEREAS California has been on the front-lines of cannabis culture and policy, stemming from efforts to decriminalize and legalize medical cannabis over 20 years ago; and

WHEREAS laws set forth by California's Adult-Use Marijuana Act (AUMA) place restrictions on cannabis consumption events, leaving their future status in limbo; and

WHEREAS replicating the very successful wine and craft brewery industries in California, the direct connection between the producer and the consumer has been a valued cultural industry tradition for years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the revival of the strong cultural tradition of cannabis events in our state while creating a platform for licensed cannabis entrepreneurs and startups to introduce products and increase brand awareness, spurring innovation and competitiveness in the industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the issuance of temporary event licenses to events and venues approved by a local jurisdiction, and issuance of temporary cannabis retailer licenses to licensed cannabis manufacturers and cultivators so that retail sales and consumption of cannabis can occur at an events where the consumer and producers meet to carry on this rich California agricultural tradition.

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Sponsored by Nicholas Caston

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#### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.27***

##### **Protected 100% Paid Parental Leave at 12 Weeks**

WHEREAS California's Paid Family Leave program provides up to 6 weeks of partial pay to employees who take time off from work to bond with a new child entering the family through birth, adoption, or foster care placement; and

WHEREAS Benefits are set at 70% of income for low income earners and 60% for middle and high income earners; and

WHEREAS employees who take parental leave are disadvantaged when it comes to promotional opportunities, wage and/or salary increases, and bonus eligibility/opportunities, and due to patriarchal social norms, women disproportionately face these disadvantages;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the California Democratic Party believes that men and women should receive 12 weeks protected, paid parental leave at 100% of income and should not face discrimination when it comes to promotional opportunities, wages/salary increases, and bonus eligibility/opportunities when they return to work;

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#### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.28***

##### **Urban Oil & Gas Drilling Safety Buffer Zone for Humans**

WHEREAS California State is the home of over 90,000 oil and gas wells and many within one mile of a sensitive land use such as a home, school, hospital, church, park or ecological reserve where people live, work, play, and learn;

WHEREAS oil and gas production, extraction, and related operations use chemicals that even at extremely low concentrations are linked to adverse health outcomes like low birth weight, exacerbated heart disease, asthma, brain and nervous system problems, impaired learning and developmental health, endocrine disruptions that cause human fertility and reproductive disorders, leukemia and cancer;

WHEREAS emissions are at their most dangerous at the source of pollution, making proximity a primary risk factor for public health and the State has the right to act to limit health and safety risks from oil and gas production, extraction, storage and related activities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the CDP demands that the State of California must minimally create a buffer of at least 2,500 feet between oil and gas operations and urban populations to protect sensitive receptors, such as Children, Elders, and all those already suffering from exposure to toxins and toxic chemicals associated with urban oil and gas drilling and human health and safety. Inclusion of an amortization period and an administrative review process could provide appropriate recourse for the oil owners to mitigate any claimed financial losses;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party calls on other organizations, communities, and jurisdictions to join with us in this action by passing similar resolutions, and a copy of this resolution will be sent to the California Congressional delegation, state elected officials, the Governor and all constitutional officers.

Author: Tom Camarella, Assembly District 54

Sponsored by Tom Camarella, Elected as 54th AD Exec Brd Member of the CDP

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### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.30***

#### **Congratulating the Golden State Warriors**

WHEREAS the Golden State Warriors have won the National Basketball Association championship this year as well as three times in the past four years, and

WHEREAS the team and their coach Steve Kerr have exhibited and modeled good sportsmanship, community engagement and generosity; and

WHEREAS they took a stand against Donald Trump by refusing to visit the White House as is customary following a national sports victory; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party honors and deeply congratulates the Golden State Warriors, their staff and their devoted fans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party graciously invites any or all of their team and staff to visit us at the California Democratic Party headquarters or at one of our grassroots events, so we can display our appreciation for their successes as athletes and as advocates for social justice.

Sponsored by Chair Eric C. Bauman, Robin Torello, Sascha Bittner and Sandra Lowe

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### ***RESOLUTION 18-07.32***

#### **Diverse, Representative and Accountable Commissions for Redistricting local Governmental Bodies**

WHEREAS nationally, redistricting has been systematically abused to undermine our democracy, disenfranchise Democratic voters, and limit the voting power of racial minorities. In 2012, after the last redistricting, Republicans won a 33-seat majority in the House despite the fact that Democratic congressional candidates received 1.4 million more votes overall. In recent years, there have been several high-profile federal court cases finding minority communities were intentionally “cracked” into multiple districts or “packed” into a single district to dilute their voting power; and

WHEREAS in California, a similar pattern of partisan and racial gerrymandering occurs at the local level. In a number of counties, Republicans control the board of supervisors, despite the fact that a plurality of voters are registered Democrats. And, although Latinos account for 40% of the statewide population, they represent only 10% of county supervisors and 15% of city councilmembers. While there have been several successful challenges under the federal Voting Rights Act to racial gerrymandering at the local level, most recently in Kern County, such cases are time-consuming, costly, and require a high burden of proof to prevail; and

WHEREAS the United States is one of the last democracies in the world to give incumbents, despite their electoral self-interest, control over the redistricting process. Citizen-based redistricting

is a best practice endorsed by good government organizations like the League of Women Voters of California and California Common Cause. Studies of independent commissions, including California's Citizens Redistricting Commission, find that they are more likely to produce fair and representative district maps than legislative bodies. More than a dozen local governments now use independent redistricting commissions to redraw county supervisorial and city council district lines, including the counties of Los Angeles and San Diego and the cities of Berkeley, Chula Vista, Oakland, Sacramento, San Diego, and San Francisco; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party endorses the use of diverse representative and accountable local citizens redistricting commissions developed with and guided by subject matter expertise to redraw local election district boundaries; and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party calls on all large cities and counties with by-district elections to establish local, redistricting commissions, tailored to the needs of that jurisdiction, in advance of the 2020 redistricting cycle; and encourages all Democrats to participate in the process.

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Sponsored by Norma Alcalá; Igor Tregub

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.33**

**Resolution in Support for Los Angeles County IHSS Providers**

WHEREAS there are over 170,000 Los Angeles County in-home caregivers who provide vital care to over 206,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities through the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program; and

WHEREAS the number of seniors and people with disabilities requiring in-home care will drastically increase as the number of Californians who are 65 years of age and older is expected to double to nine million by 2030, requiring an additional 200,000 home care providers by 2024, leading to a possible home care crisis; and

WHEREAS in order to meet the future demands of caregiving, we must ensure a stable workforce by providing standards that include livable wages, access to affordable health care, retirement security, and advanced training that would improve the recruitment and retention of caregivers and ensure the continuity of care that our seniors and people living with disabilities deserve; and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports Los Angeles County In-Home Supportive Services Providers in their quest to receive standards that lifts these workers above poverty, helps avert a coming home care crisis, and delivers the quality care our seniors and people with disabilities need and deserve.

Author: SEIU 2015, Connie Slaughter, Assembly District 53

Sponsored by Los Angeles County Democratic Party

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**RESOLUTION 18-07.39L**

**Supporting UC Workers and All Public Sector Workers in Wake of Janus Decision**

WHEREAS the University of California (UC) system is the largest employer in the state of California, with nearly 200,000 workers, and the California Democratic Party Platform advocates for quality public and private sector jobs "that permanently lift the working poor out of poverty to achieve self-sufficiency and a secure retirement", as well as workers' rights to organize;

WHEREAS the recent Janus vs. AFSCME Supreme Court decision constitutes an attack on workers everywhere, backed by corporate interests intent on disempowering workers in order to pursue an agenda of privatization and austerity; and

WHEREAS service workers at the University of California represented by AFSCME 3299 went on strike on May 7-9, 2018, to protest UC's refusal to address the union's concerns about significant racial and gender inequality caused by subcontracting work, and were joined by thousands of members represented by the California Nurses Association (CNA) and UPTE-CWA 9119, in a sympathy strike, constituting the largest strike in the history of the UC; and both CNA and UPTE-CWA 9119, also in bargaining for successor agreements, are confronted with UC's proposed erosions to long-held union standards and worker benefits;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party calls on the University of California to support good union jobs and to return to the bargaining table with AFSCME 3299, UPTE-CWA 9119, and the California Nurses Association to settle their respective contracts fairly,

and to address the ongoing issues of inequality, outsourcing, and erosion of union standards and benefits at the university.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party calls on all elected officials in California to support public sector workers -- who work everyday to maintain and improve conditions that serve the public good, and are fighting for secure and stable union contracts and for union recognition -- and to resist austerity and privatization.

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***RESOLUTION 18-07.40L***

**California Democratic Party Resolution in Support of Congresswoman Maxine Waters**

WHEREAS Congresswoman Maxine Waters has been outspoken against the human crisis created by President Trump and his administration's "zero-tolerance policy" which has led to forcible separation of almost 3,000 children from their parents; without any plan in place to track or reunify the separated families, and we the American public responded to this outrage created by the President with shock and outrage demanding that the Trump administration correct the humanitarian crisis it created; and

WHEREAS Congresswoman Maxine Waters an invited speaker at the "Keep Families Together" rally spoke courageously of the necessary resistance to the Trump administration's decision to separate children from their parents; to which President Trump responded by falsely claiming that the Congresswoman called for harm or violence against the President's supporters, including members of his cabinet, despite no evidence to back up these claims, but we who attended the rally know the truth, she rallied Americans to push administration officials to change the inhumane policies, and was exercising her Constitutional rights, expressing grave concerns about family separation; and as a result of Congresswoman Waters' call for Americans to use their First Amendment rights to peacefully protest the unconscionable policies of this administration, she has been denounced and threatened by right wing extremists, white supremacists, some members of the Republican Party, and unexpectedly, even members of the Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS non-violent protests are deeply rooted in the foundations of our democracy, and served as the primary methods by which civic leaders such as the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., pushed America toward justice and equality, the allegation that Congresswoman Maxine Waters and other advocates who express their dissatisfaction with the status quo are promoting incivility is only the newest incarnation of an old tactic used to suppress democratic progress;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party joins Congresswoman Waters in opposing the Trump administration's "zero-tolerance" policy, which led to inhumane family separation; and joins and supports Congresswoman Maxine Waters' call for the expeditious reunification of all separated children with their parents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party unequivocally supports Congresswoman Maxine Waters and her right to protest, a right protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

Eric C. Bauman, Chair California Democratic Party, Darren W. Parker and Resolutions Committee