RESOLUTION 2018-08

Supporting the Qualification of the Sacramento Renter Protection & Community Stabilization Charter Amendment

WHEREAS, Rent control has provided seniors, the disabled and low income tenants with stabilized housing and maintained the integrity of neighborhoods and communities in cities throughout California where rent stabilization ordinances exist; and

WHEREAS, Evictions statewide due to rent de-control and the sale of buildings subject to rent control have led to hundreds of thousands of tenants being displaced under Ellis Act and Costa Hawkins evictions, with over 22,000 units lost due to Ellis Act evictions in Los Angeles alone since 2001, 5,300 units lost due to Ellis Act evictions in San Francisco since 2001, and increasing the number of homeless in California neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, The California Democratic Party recognizes in its platform that shelter (including affordable housing) is among the basic human rights of all individuals.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Democratic Party of Sacramento County seeks to protect renters and prevent homelessness by supporting the adoption of rent stabilization ordinances prohibiting excessive rent increases and requiring just cause for evictions.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Democratic Party of Sacramento County supports the repeal of the Costa Hawkins Rental Housing Act.

BE IT RESOLVED, That that a copy of this resolution be sent to each City Councilmember and Mayor in Sacramento County to ensure notification of this body’s support.

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