

**California Democratic Party  
2022 Virtual November Executive Board Meeting  
Sunday, November 20, 2022  
Reports Packet**

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**California Democratic Party Special Rules Committee Report**  
**Thursday, October 6, 2022, 6:30PM**

- I. The Committee was called to order at 5:31pm. A roll call established a quorum with 18 members present. 3 members joined the meeting in progress
- II. M/S/P to adopt meeting agenda
- III. Review of Bylaws amendments to be considered at next Executive Board (November 2022) Nomenclature Proposal

**ARTICLE V: STANDING COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

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**Section 4. APPOINTMENT and RESPONSIBILITIES OF CO-CHAIRS:**

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  - c. It shall be the further responsibility of the ~~Lead~~ Co-Chairs of the Committees on Finance; Justice, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion; and, Organizing to:
    - 1) prepare an Action Plan within three months of their appointment, and annually thereafter, for consideration and adoption by those committees at their next meeting with individual assignments for the members of the committee,
    - 2) transmit the Action Plan to the Chair of This Committee and the Statewide Officers for review, and
    - 3) make regular reports to the Executive Board on their Committee’s activities and progress on the Action Plans.
    - 4) make annual reports to the State Delegates on their Committee’s activities and progress on the Action Plans, which shall be made public to the state delegates by listing on the This Committee’s website.

**ARTICLE VII: EXECUTIVE BOARD**

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**Section 2. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

The Executive Board shall consist of the following members of This Committee:

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g. The chair, ~~or co-chairs~~, and vice chairs of each Standing Committee of This Committee Subcommittee Reports

IV. M/S/P Adopt ADEMs Subcommittee 2023 ADEM Procedures as amended ([click here](#))

V. M/S/P Adopt Caucuses Subcommittee report as amended ([click here](#))

The full report is located at the link above. This is a summary of the actions of the Rules Committee and a brief explanation as to the purpose of these actions.

1. The CDP Caucus Certification/Recertification process takes place every four years, where the Rules Committee works with the CDP Staff to better align the CDP Bylaws and the subsidiary documents with the CDP goals and expectations.
2. The rewrite of Article XI of the Bylaws is to achieve the following:
  - a. Shift the schedule for the certification/recertification process from a gubernatorial election year to the year after the gubernatorial election
  - b. Create a probationary period as a preliminary remedy for bylaws or guideline violations. Full decertification will be reserved for only after remediation fails or if the violation is more severe.
3. Changes to the Guidelines broadly track the Bylaws changes, add more specifics to the schedule, better clarify the purpose of a Caucus and provide more detail on the remedial step probation and decertification process. These changes were made pursuant to Article V, section 4(h)(9) and are in effect
4. Required Bylaws Structure: these required Caucus Bylaws, with many places for customization by the various caucuses, are pursuant to Article V, section 4(h)(10) and are in effect

VI. Received oral report on Chartered Organization Subcommittee

Subcommittee is working on updating the review list inherited from the former Organizational Development Committee. Finalizing email to send to the geographically based chasers regarding their renewal process and established subcommittees to review new and existing Charters.

VII. Received oral report on County Bylaws Subcommittee

Appointed Robin Torello due to vacancy as the new Lead Subcommittee Chair. Lead Rules Committee Chairs will work with Robin to propose a new system to approve Central Committee Bylaws that adhere to the CDP endorsing provisions.

VIII. Endorsements Subcommittee

1. M/S/P Adopt Amendment on Article VIII, Section 3, Subdivision e, Paragraph (1):

(1) In the case of a special election where an endorsement cannot be made at the biennial endorsing convention of the California Democratic Party, for the primary special election, the Chair of This Committee shall cause to be convened a Special Election Endorsing Caucus of the members of This Committee resident in the relevant district, shall designate a convenor and shall appoint a Special Elections Appeals Committee. The date selected by the Chair of This Committee for the convening of the Special Election Endorsing Caucus shall be before the deadline announced by the Secretary of State for the submission of political party endorsements to be included in the sample ballot; unless in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee such date would be impractical. The endorsing caucus shall be comprised of all members of This Committee resident in the district at 5 PM of the day of the Governor's Proclamation of the election, except that:

2. M/S/P Adopt as amended Article VIII, Section 5 by adding Subdivision e, as follows:
  - b. This Committee may support or oppose the retention of a justice of the California Supreme Court or of the California Courts of Appeal in the same manner as the adoption of a resolution to endorse or oppose a state ballot proposition, initiative, or referendum, but only if provided that a majority of the statewide officers or thirty (30) members of the Executive Board present a resolution to support or oppose the retention.
3. No motion to adopt Doll proposal to amend and restate Article XIII, Section 3(c)4 for recommendation
4. M/S/P Adopt as amended:

**Article VIII, Section d 3(b)**

In either case, this written motion must be filed with the Secretary of This Committee by 8 PM on the day that the endorsing caucuses are held at the endorsing convention. The Pre-Primary Endorsement Review Committee shall be comprised of all members of the Executive Board registered in the relevant district, the Statewide Officers; the Regional Director(s) of the relevant district, and two (2) Executive Board members, appointed by the Chair of This Committee prior to the start of the Convention, from each of the following committees: Rules, Credentials and ~~Organizing Voter Services~~. If such a motion for formal objection to the ratification of an endorsing caucus decision is so filed with the Secretary by 8 PM the evening before the period set aside for ratification vote, then the relevant Pre-Primary Endorsement Review Committee shall meet at 8 AM the morning prior to the ratification vote. Presentations for the motion by the filer and against the motion by the endorsed candidate shall be no more than five (5) minutes each. Such a motion for formal objection to the ratification of an endorsing caucus decision may be adopted by the relevant committee by a majority of the committee present and voting.

**Article VIII Section 3 e (2) Special Elections Process and Appeals Committee**

(2) A Special Elections Appeals Committee will make the final determination at a meeting no later than five (5) days after an objection has been filed. This Special Elections Appeal Committee shall be comprised of the Statewide Officers; the Regional Director(s) of the relevant district, two (2) Executive Board members, appointed by the Chair of This Committee, from each of the following committees: Rules, Credentials and ~~Voter Services~~ Organizing Committee.

5. M/S/P adopt as amended:
 

**Article VIII, Section 3(g)5.c.1.a**

(a) The Chair of the Chartering Organization shall have certified the validity of the Charter, and that the Club was chartered and has submitted a roster of members in good standing duly registered as a member of the Democratic Party of California to ~~both~~ the Chair of the Chartering Organization and to the appropriate Regional Director the and Secretary ~~the Secretary appropriate Regional Director~~ of This Committee no later than a date that is announced by the state chair and is between 300 and 310 days prior to the following statewide primary election of the year immediately prior to the endorsing process, and that:

IX. Miscellaneous Items Subcommittee

1. Subcommittee acknowledged referred item relating to Royce Kelly Proposed Guidelines regarding Statewide Chartered Organizations and related issues was assigned to newly formed Subcommittee on Chartered Organizations
  2. No motion to adopt Shehata Proposal to amend Article II, Section 8 to add a requirement of Membership
  3. No motion to adopt Vong Proposal to amend Article XIII, Section 1 to include language accessibility to further diversity and equity in our party
  4. No Motion to adopt Ramos Proposal to amend Article VII, Section 4(a) on Number of Executive Board Meetings
- X. Bylaws Proposals
- A. M/S/P to refer General Clean-up and Definitions to Misc. Items
  - B. M/S/P to refer Proposal by Margot Tenenbaum to make amendments to Member Removal Provisions in Article II, Section 9 to subcommittee on Misc. Items
- XI. M/S/P Adjourn at 9:57pm

**California Democratic Party Rules Committee Report**  
**Friday, November 18, 2022, 4:30 PM**

- I. The Committee was called to order at 4:35pm. A roll call established a quorum with 19 members present. 2 members joined the meeting in progress
- II. M/S/P to adopt meeting agenda with the amendment to remove Agenda Item VI.F which was referred by the Compliance Review Commission to the Credentials Committee, not the Rules Committee
- III. Review of Bylaws amendments to be considered on Sunday
  1. Non-substantive amendments regarding nomenclature of committee chairs
  2. An amendment clarifying when Special Election Endorsing Caucuses shall be held
  3. A new provision allowing the Party to take a position on judicial retention elections
  4. A technical amendment to the composition of the Pre-primary Endorsement Review Committee
  5. A technical amendment to the composition of the Special Elections Appeal Committee
  6. A technical amendment to the process of selecting club representatives to the pre-endorsing conferences
  7. A rewrite of Article XI (Special Group Caucuses)

**Adopted at the Rules Committee Meeting held at the 2022 July Executive Board Meeting on July 9, 2022 at the Los Angeles JW Marriott**

**1. Standing Committees Nomenclature Amendment:**

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**Adopted at the Special Rules Committee Meeting held via zoom on October 6, 2022**

**2. Amendment regarding timing of Special Election Endorsing Caucus  
Article VIII (Endorsements), Section 3, Subdivision e, Paragraph (1):**

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**4. Article VIII (Endorsements), Section d 3(b):**

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**7. Article XI (Special Group Caucuses) is revised as follows:**

**ARTICLE XI: SPECIAL GROUP CAUCUSES**

**Section 1. DEFINITION**

A caucus is a statewide organization:

- a. Which is a constituent part of This Committee, governed by its decisions, and must not take official positions on legislation, resolutions, or other matters, which are contrary to positions taken by This Committee, but, to the extent consistent with its purpose as set forth in Section 2 of this Article XI, may call on This Committee to take action.
- b. Consisting of Caucus Sponsors, who are members of the Caucus and of This Committee, constituting at least one percent (1%) of the full membership of This Committee,

- c. Which extends membership to persons of voting registration/preregistration age (as defined in the Elections Code), who meet the eligibility requirements for Caucus membership, and who are either (i) registered Democrats or (ii) ineligible to register as Democrats, but who have expressed an intent to register as a Democrat upon becoming eligible; and which extends full voting rights to all such persons who meet the voting requirements of that Caucus.
- d. Which has been found by the Rules Committee to be in compliance with the requirements noted herein and has also been found to meet the Guidelines for Certification or Re-Certification of Caucuses referred to below both at the time of the application for certification/recertification and at all times during the certification/recertification period thereafter;
- (1) the finding of compliance at the time of the application shall be based on a review of the application and investigation by the Rules Committee, whose findings shall be conclusive unless reversed by a majority of the Executive Board;
- (2) the finding of continuing/ongoing compliance shall be made by the Rules Committee under rules of procedure it shall promulgate and publish, which shall include such hearing as it deems appropriate under the circumstances.
- e. Which has been considered for certification by the Rules Committee and has been certified by the Executive Board of This Committee in order to carry out the Purposes noted herein,
- f. Whose Chair is a member of This Committee, and by virtue of the Caucus being certified, shall be a member of the Executive Board of This Committee; provided that in exceptional circumstances, as defined and authorized by the Rules Committee, an interim Chair serving only until such time as the Caucus may conduct an election may be excused from being a member of This Committee; provided, further, that the Caucus' representative on the Executive Board must be a member of This Committee, and,
- g. If not initially certified prior to 1/1/10, the Caucus' Sponsors are DSCC members, who represent a common identity, demographic or interest which is historically or currently under-represented in Democratic Party affairs and cannot adequately be represented in Democratic Party affairs by a current caucus or chartered organization, and which has provided a reasonable explanation, determined to have been supported by clear and convincing evidence, as to why Chartering as a Statewide Organization under Article X of these Bylaws, would not be a more appropriate course of action

## **Section 2. PURPOSE**

The purpose of a caucus is to:

- a. Participate in the policy decisions of the Party, by, among other things, proposing Resolutions to the Resolutions Committee, Legislation to the Legislation Committee, bylaw amendments to the Rules Committee, or other such proposals to other Standing Committees, or to the Chair of This Committee, as may be necessary to carry out its goals and objectives. Caucuses are to conduct all of their affairs with an eye toward full and proactive compliance with: (i) the expectations and intent set forth in Article VIII, Section 1.c; (ii) the "one voice" rule in Article VIII, Section 1.d; and (iii) the prohibitions on endorsements in Article VII, Sections 1.h, 1.j and 2.a. No Caucus may take independent positions on such matters which are contrary to the positions of This Committee, provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent This Committee's Regions, or its Caucuses from calling on the California Democratic Party to take any action consistent with its status as a constituent part of This Committee;
- b. Encourage participation, within the Caucus' community of interest, in the outreach programs of the Party, including such things as This Committee's Voter Registration and Get Out the Vote activities, but any such participation shall be limited to activities conducted by or in partnership with the Party. Any other such voter outreach or campaign activities are inconsistent with the Caucus' purpose and, as a result, are prohibited.

- c. Promulgate and implement a Statement of Purpose and Intended Activity, aimed at expanding and strengthening the Party, subject to approval by the Rules Committee; and,
- d. Make the Party more welcoming and more relevant to members of the public, the electorate, and This Committee, who identify with the goals of the Caucus.

### **Section 3. GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION, RE-CERTIFICATION, AND DECERTIFICATION OF CAUCUSES**

The Rules Committee shall promulgate Guidelines for Certification, Re-Certification, and Decertification of Caucuses, which shall include the process and conditions necessary to certify, re-certify, or decertify a caucus. These Guidelines shall include, as a condition of Certification and Re-Certification, a requirement that Caucuses adopt the Code of Conduct and make information about reporting process for violations of the Code of Conduct readily available to members.

### **Section 4. CERTIFICATION / RE-CERTIFICATION**

Certification, and re-certification, shall be subject to the following provisions:

- a. Form of Application – All organizations desiring to be certified, or re-certified, by This Committee as a caucus shall make application for such certification in writing on a form obtained from the Secretary of This Committee.
- b. Submission of Application – Prior to September 1, 2023, application for Caucus Certification, or Recertification must be submitted to the Secretary of This Committee, and to the Chair(s) of the Rules Committee of This Committee, at the email addresses designated for this purpose, by the applicable deadline set forth in the Guidelines. As of September 1, 2023, the deadline for submission of an application shall be no later than fourteen (14) after the first regular meeting of the Convention of This Committee in the year after the year in which a regular Gubernatorial election is conducted; provided, however, that an applicant seeking initial certification as a Caucus may also apply in the fourteen-day period immediately following the first regular meeting of the Convention of This Committee in any other odd year. No application submitted outside that time-frame shall be considered.
- c. Acknowledgment of Receipt of Application – The Secretary of This Committee or the Chair(s) of the Rules Committee shall, where applicable, acknowledge receipt of the application by no later than the thirtieth day after the first regular meeting of the Convention of This Committee in the year in which the application is submitted, and send confirmation thereof, to the Chair of the Caucus, or proposed Caucus, to the email address designated for this purpose. This acknowledgment shall also ~~list the documents received and~~ identify any required submissions which, from a facial review of the application, appear to be missing and identify a deadline for the submission of any such missing documents, ~~or obviously deficient, documents or information necessary for the Rules Committee to determine certification or re-certification, other than bylaws provisions. Such deficiencies in documentation or information may be corrected via amended application within sixty (60) days after the first meeting of the Convention of This Committee in the year in which the Caucus is intended to be re-certified or initially certified.~~
- d. Time-line for Consideration of Application – By no later than July 17, 2023, the Rules Committee shall advise each existing Caucus which has submitted an application for recertification whether it:
  - (1) has met the requirements for recertification and shall be recommended for full recertification at the next meeting of the Executive Board of This Committee and, should that meeting be after the expiration of its current certification, shall be provisionally certified in the interim;
  - (2) has been found to be sufficiently in compliance with the requirements for recertification as to be recommended for provisional certification at the next meeting of the Executive Board of This Committee and, should that meeting be after the expiration of its current certification, shall be provisionally certified in the interim; or

(3) has failed to meet the requirements for recertification and, thus, will not be recommended for recertification and, as a result, its certification will expire and it must disband or apply for certification as a new Caucus.

Should at any time during its period of provisional certification, a Caucus recommended for provisional certification as of July 17, 2023, meet the requirements for recertification and become eligible for full certification at the next meeting of the Executive Board of This Committee, the Rules Committee shall recommend that Caucus for full recertification.

For proposed Caucuses that have submitted an initial application during 2023, the Guidelines shall set forth the timeline for consideration.

For applications in and after 2025, the Rules Committee shall advise the Caucus or proposed Caucus of its recommendation by no later than ninety (90) days after the deadline for submission of the application or, if there has been a notice that required elements of the application were missing and, thus, that the application was deficient, by no later than ninety (90) days after the deadline set for cure of the deficiency.

~~No later than forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration of the term of Official Certification, or in the case of a proposed new caucus the second meeting of the Executive Board of This Committee held after submission of the application, a Chair of the Rules Committee of This Committee designated for this purpose, shall notify the Chair of the Caucus, or proposed Caucus, in detail, of any deficiencies in documentation or information, including the substance of any amendments to Caucus Bylaws necessary to bring the Application into compliance along with the proposed recommendation regarding certification or re-certification.~~

e. ~~Failure by the Rules Committee to Provide Timely Notice of Its Recommended Disposition of the Application~~ – Absent agreement to the contrary by the Rules Committee, ~~failure of the Rules Committee to give timely notice of its~~ recommendation concerning disposition of the application shall be considered as a recommendation for Certification by the Rules Committee and allow the Chair of the Caucus, to make a motion for a specific finding of compliance with the Guidelines for Certification, Re-Certification, and Decertification of Caucuses by the Executive Board of This Committee and Certification of the Caucus, provided fifteen (15) days notice of intent to make such motion is first given to the Secretary of This Committee, and to the Chair(s) of the Rules Committee of This Committee, at the email addresses designated for this purpose.

~~f. Recommended Action on Application – The Rules Committee of This Committee, shall make a recommendation regarding action on the application to the Executive Board of This Committee, prior to the expiration of the term of Official Certification, or in the case of a proposed new caucus the second meeting of the Executive Board of This Committee held after submission of the application.~~

~~g. Contents of Application~~ – The application shall contain such information as may be required by the Rules Committee.

## **Section 5. TERM OF CERTIFICATION**

a. All Caucuses that are provisionally or fully certified as of July 11, 2022, shall have their current certification status extended through August 31, 2023, unless revoked for cause as set forth herein; provided, however, that, during this extended certification period, provisional certification may be converted to full certification and full certification may be converted to provisional certification in accordance with procedures for such conversion consistent with this Article XI promulgated by the Rules Committee. The provisions of this subsection (a) shall expire as of September 1, 2023, and without further action of This Committee or its Executive Board, shall no longer be a part of these Bylaws or this Article XI as of that date. The Secretary of This Committee, upon recommendation of the Rules Committee, shall cause subsection b and its subparts to be renumbered accordingly.

b. All official Certifications of a Caucus made effective on or after September 1, 2023, shall extend through the following dates:

- (1) For recertifications, unless revoked for cause as set forth herein, the later of August 31 of the year after the year in which the next regular Gubernatorial election is held or the adjournment of the first Executive Board meeting of This Committee held after the first regular meeting of the Convention of This Committee in the year after the year in which the next regular Gubernatorial election is held; or
- (2) For initial certifications, unless revoked for cause as set forth herein, the earlier of two years after the effective date of the initial certification or the first Executive Board meeting of This Committee held after the first regular meeting of the Convention of This Committee in the year after the year in which the next Gubernatorial election is held.
- (3) Notwithstanding the certification terms set forth herein, full certification may be converted to provisional certification and provisional certification may be converted to full certification in accordance with procedures for such conversion consistent with this Article XI promulgated by the Rules Committee; provided that no such conversion shall extend the term of certification of a Caucus.

#### **Section 6. DECERTIFICATION**

a. After notice and an opportunity to be heard, and upon a finding by the Rules Committee that a certified caucus has failed to maintain compliance with the above, the Rules Committee may enter into an agreement with the Caucus or, in the absence of an agreement, order the Caucus to take certain remedial steps to again achieve compliance.

~~b. adopt or maintain the Code of Conduct as part of its own bylaws with a provision that each member is bound by its terms, and/or~~

~~c. has willfully, intentionally, or repeatedly failed to address violations of the Code of Conduct within the caucus;~~

b. In the event that, after the hearing referenced in subsection (a) above, the Rules Committee determines that remedial steps are an insufficient remedy or in the event that, after a subsequent hearing, the Rules Committee determines that the Caucus has failed or refused to successfully undertake the agreed upon or ordered remedial steps, the Rules Committee shall report a recommendation to de-certify the Caucus to the Executive Board of This Committee. The report shall specifically note the grounds and basis for the Rules Committee's recommendation. Such recommendation may only be overturned by the Executive Board of This Committee, by majority vote, but and only if the Executive Board makes specific findings that the Rules Committee was incorrect in each of its findings that formed the basis of the Rules Committee's recommendation to decertify, or that all such defects have been remedied.

#### **Section 7. RECOGNITION OF HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE**

This Committee recognizes that the Black, Asian Pacific Islander, Chicano Latino, Labor, LGBTQ, and Women's Caucuses were the original six caucuses certified pursuant to the definition contained in the 1985-7, or prior, Bylaws, defining a caucus as "ethnic minority members or other broad elements of the membership" and as such recognizes the historical significance in maintaining their existence.

#### **IV. M/S/P to adopt Convention Rules and Tentative Agenda for 2023 May Convention Rules for the 2023 May California Democratic Party Convention**

1. The primary purpose of this biennial Convention is to organize the newly-elected constituted Democratic State Central Committee (This Committee) and elect Regional Directors. Matters not heard at the Convention will be received by the Secretary and held over to the next meeting of the Executive Board.
2. The Chair of This Committee shall be the Chair of the Convention and the Secretary of This Committee shall be Secretary of the Convention. In the absence of the Chair of This Committee,

- the Vice-Chair of This Committee of the self-identified gender other than that of the Chair, shall serve as the Presiding Officer and Chair of the Convention.
3. Delegates to the Convention shall be the members of the Democratic State Central Committee, or their qualified proxies as specified in the Bylaws, whose appointment/election has been transmitted to the State Party no later than Tuesday March 28, 2023, 60 days prior to biennial state convention.
  4. Seating of the delegates shall be by the Assembly District within the Region.
  5. No one will be admitted to the Convention floor who is not a delegate, or proxy holder, except by special authorization of the State Chair.
  6. Credentialing will close at posted times, unless special circumstances exist. At that time, consideration will be given by the Credentials Committee, which can stay open or reopen credentialing. In order to vote, and have one's vote counted, at this Convention, a member must have timely paid their annual DSCC dues and registration fee (or had them waived, by request from the DSCC Member) to This Committee, registered for the meeting, received /obtained their credential prior to the close of credentialing, completed and returned to the proper authority any ballot that may be issued, and agreed to the CDP Code of Conduct, prior the close of credentialing
  7. The Credentials Committee shall issue its final report and place the official voting list of delegates in the hands of the Convention Secretary subsequent to the close of credentialing.
  8. Election of Regional Directors.
    - a. Regional Directors shall be elected for two-year terms on Saturday of the first Convention of This Committee held in odd numbered years. Regional Directors shall be elected at Regional Caucuses, each composed of all members of This Committee resident in the respective regions. The time for the opening of registration for the Regional Caucus shall be included in the Agenda for the Convention and the Convener must ensure that the Caucus site is available and open by the time called for in the Convention Agenda. To afford all candidates for Regional Director an opportunity to address the Regional Caucus, the Convener shall commence candidate presentations as close to ten minutes after the time for the opening of registration set forth in the Convention Agenda as is practical under the circumstances. Voting will be commenced thirty minutes after the time for opening of credentials called for in the Agenda, and voting will commence without regard to whether any or all candidates have finished their oral presentations. No one will be allowed to vote in the Caucus who has not arrived by thirty minutes after the time called for in the Convention Agenda. Voting members or their proxies standing in line to be registered at the time voting commences are considered to have arrived in time.
    - b. Regional Caucuses, comprised of all members of This Committee resident in the respective regions, shall take place on Saturday, May 27, 2023, for the purpose of electing their respective Regional Directors. The ratification of Regional Directors shall take place on Sunday, May 28, 2023. A candidate for any office shall file a notice of intent-to-run for that office with the Secretary of the Party no later than 5:00 PM, Thursday May 11, 2023, being the day, which is sixteen (16) days prior to the commencement of credentialing for the Convention. Should the incumbent officeholder fail to file the notice of intent-to-run by that date, then the filing deadline shall be extended to 5:00 PM, Friday May 19, 2023, being the date which is nine (9) days prior to the opening of credentialing for the office. No withdrawals shall be allowed after that date.
    - c. Following the close of nomination for officers, no additional nominations shall be permitted, except for an office for which no person has been nominated prior to the close of nominations or for which all persons nominated have withdrawn.

- d. No vote for any person shall be counted unless the person has been duly nominated for, and has accepted that nomination for the office for which such vote is cast.
  - e. In the event only one person is nominated for any office and such person accepts the nomination, the Secretary of the meeting shall be directed to cast a unanimous ballot for such candidate at the time of the election.
  - f. In the event no candidate receives a majority on the first ballot, a run-off election (second ballot) shall be held between the two persons receiving the largest number of votes actually cast for all candidates who have been duly nominated for and accepted the nomination for the office involved.
  - g. Elections of Regional Directors shall be governed by the provisions set forth in Article III, Section 3, subsections c. of the Bylaws and the deadlines and restrictions on withdrawal shall be as set forth in Article III, Section 3, subsection b of the Bylaws.
  - h. All voting for officers shall be by DNC mandated open ballot process except when there is only one candidate.
9. The Resolutions adopted by the members of This Committee and the Executive Board of the California Democratic Party are expressions of philosophical beliefs and principles that the Party wishes to declare. Any resolution involving a local issue will be referred to the appropriate local Democratic Party entity.

#### RESOLUTION PROCEDURES

- a. Form
  - (1) All resolutions must be typed.
  - (2) Inducement (e.g., Whereas) clauses shall be limited to three (3) or less, and resolve clauses shall be limited to two (2) or less.
  - (3) Resolutions must be no longer than one (1) 8-1/2" x 11" typewritten page.
  - (4) All resolutions must be adopted by a County Central Committee, or a Chartered Democratic Club or sponsored by twenty-five (25) members of This Committee, or a majority of the members of This Committee who meet at a Regional Meeting as described in Article III, Section 4d of the CDP's Bylaws.
  - (5) Resolutions that call for a change in the CDP bylaws or platform, or state the endorsement or support of a candidate for public office or opposition to a candidate who is a registered Democrat, or mandates or restricts the spending of money by the CDP, shall be ruled out of order and will neither be heard by the Resolutions Committee nor be able to reach the floor by way of Section 9(d) below.
- b. Timely Resolutions
  - (1) Resolutions must be received by the State Chair of the Party in Sacramento, by 5 p.m., thirty (30) calendar days prior to a meeting of This Committee, except as provided in subsection (c) below.
  - (2) Copies of resolutions submitted according to the above procedure shall be mailed by the State Chair of the Party to all members of the Resolutions Committee prior to a meeting of This Committee.
- c. Resolutions Committee will present prioritized resolutions in the committee report to the convention body.
- d. Late/Floor Resolutions
  - (1) Twenty-five (25) copies of each resolution must be provided to the Resolutions Committee by the sponsor(s) of the resolution.
  - (2) All resolutions to be considered at a meeting of This Committee must be presented for consideration at the Resolutions Committee meeting preceding the

general session. In order to be considered at the general session, a late resolution must have the unanimous consent of the Resolutions Committee to be considered and all resolutions must be approved by the Resolutions Committee. Any resolution heard by the Resolutions Committee, failing to obtain approval (excluding referrals or those ruled “out of order”, may be brought to the floor of a meeting of This Committee with the signatures of three hundred (300) members of This Committee on forms approved by the Resolutions Committee.

- (3) All resolutions to be presented from the floor shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Convention for signature verification by 5:00P.M. on the day before the resolution is presented.
  - (4) The sponsor of a resolution presented from the floor shall be responsible for providing the Secretary of the Convention with sufficient copies of their resolution for each member of This Committee.
  - e. Resolutions pending at the close of a Convention of This Committee shall be referred to the Executive Board of This Committee. All such resolutions shall first be presented to the Resolutions Committee for recommendation to the Executive Board. The Resolutions Committee shall recommend: adoption, adoption with amendment, or rejection. Such resolutions shall be presented to the Executive Board for consideration in its original form unless the sponsor agrees to the amendment(s) recommended by the Resolutions Committee.
10. Requests to hang signs, banners and placards must be submitted before the Convention to the Convention Coordinator. A small fee may be charged per sign. No large signs or large quantities of materials will be allowed in the General Session Hall. The only large quantities of materials or large signs allowed in the hall are those that are official CDP materials or have been pre-approved by the CDP and have already been placed in the hall.
  11. PROXIES: Proxies will be subject to the provision set forth in the By-Laws. Because in order to vote, and have one’s vote counted, at any meeting of This Committee, a member must have timely obtained their credential prior to the closing of credentials, a member may authorize, by signed written authorization, any registered member of This Committee to obtain their credential on their behalf. The provisions of Article IV, Section 6, subsections a-e shall apply to such authorizations. In all cases at This Convention, proxies vote in districts where the appointing member resides as required by This Committee’s By-Laws.
  12. The By-Laws and Rules of the California Democratic Party shall govern over these Rules for the 2023 California Democratic Party Convention in the event of a conflict.
  13. Any matter not provided for in these rules or the California Democratic Party By-Laws and Rules shall be governed by Robert’s Rules of Order.
  14. In general, motions subject to floor debate, whether via committee reports or from the floor, shall be subject to the following limits on debate. There shall be three (3) speakers on each side of a motion, including the maker of the motion, and each speaker shall be limited to one (1) minute each. These rules may be suspended by a motion to amend these limits on debate, but such a motion shall not be debatable and may only apply to the specific motion before the body.
  15. Attendees will be required to provide proof of Covid vaccination and negative test upon entrance to the Convention. Additional requirements may be imposed by the Venue and other governing State or Local authorities, and CADEM Staff.

2023 CDP State Convention

Tentative Agenda

May 25 – May 28, 2023

NOTE – Workshops, trainings, caucus meeting, and other activities will be added to this agenda as presenters and speakers are developed and confirmed.

Friday, May 26, 2023

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| 11AM         | Credentials Committee        |
| 2PM          | Rules Committee              |
| 3PM – 8:30PM | Credentialing / Registration |
| *            |                              |
| 4:30PM       | Resolutions Committee        |
| 6PM          | Welcome Reception            |
| 10PM         | Hospitality Suites           |

Saturday, May 27, 2023

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| 9AM – 1PM         | Credentialing / Registration           |
| *                 |  |
| 10:00AM – 11:30AM | General Session                        |
| Noon – 1:30PM     | Convention Luncheon                    |
| 1:30 – 4:00PM     | General Session                        |
| 5:00 – 7:00PM     | Regional Director Elections            |
| 5:00PM            | Resolutions Committee (Prioritization) |
| 6:00PM            | Convention Dinner                      |
| 10PM              | Hospitality Suites                     |

Sunday, May 29, 2023

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| 9AM – 10AM | Credentialing / Registration |
| *          |                              |
| 10AM       | General Session              |
| -          | Ratification of RD Elections |
| -          | Standing Committee reports   |
| -          | Adoption of resolutions      |

*\* In order to vote, and have one's vote counted, at this meeting, a member must have timely paid their annual Democratic State Central Committee (DSCC) dues to This Committee (or had them waived), paid and registered for the meeting, obtained their credential prior to the close of credentialing, agreed to the CDP Code of Conduct, prior the close of credentialing, and completed and returned to the proper authority any ballot that may be issued.*

*\*\*The Chair may change the timing of agenda items to accommodate scheduling as required.*

## V. Subcommittee Reports

### A. Officers, Elections, Duties, Etc. Subcommittee

#### 1. Ramos Proposal on Removal of Officers:

M/S/P to adopt Article III, Section 6 as amended:

c. The Secretary, within seven (7) days following receipt of the Answer or the deadline for receipt of the Answer, shall issue to the Filer a Petition, which shall include the Statement of Charges and the Answer. If, within sixty (60) days of the date of the mailing by the Secretary of the Petition, the Filer returns to the Secretary the Petition with the names and signatures of thirty (30) current Executive Board members, an item for Removal of Officer shall be placed on the agenda of the next regular Executive Board meeting, or a special meeting of the Executive Board called for the purpose of considering removal, held at least seventeen (17) days after the submission of such Petition by the Filer to the

Secretary. When the Statement of Charges is filed by the Conduct Commission, no additional signatures are required and shall be considered as the Petition referred to herein. Written notice of this agenda item must be mailed to the Executive Board no less than ten (10) days prior to the Executive Board meeting. Where the basis of a Petition is an alleged violation of the Code of Conduct, constituting sexual misconduct, as determined by the Conduct Commission, a Special Meeting of the Executive Board may also be convened to consider the Petition. A special meeting for purposes of considering such a Petition may be called by the Conduct Commission in consultation with the Chair of This Committee. In such circumstances the Chair of This Committee, or in the case of a Petition accusing the Chair of such violation, the Secretary of This Committee, shall provide written notice by letter or electronic mail to the Executive Board at least seven (7) days in advance of such a special meeting.

d. At said next regular *or special* meeting of the Executive Board, the item shall be the first item of business after the final credentials report. The Accused Officer may be removed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members present and voting, provided there is present and voting at least a quorum or 33-1/3 percent of the membership of the Executive Board.

2. No motion to adopt - Larimore-Hall Proposal on Restructuring:  
Compared to nonprofit membership organizations, unions and other groups that balance similar activities and goals as the CDP, there is very little counterbalance or offset to the authority of our board Chairperson. The Chair is described in the bylaws as the Party's "Chief Executive Officer" and "Official Voice", combining roles that in many organizations would be divided into two or more elected roles. As a result, the entirety of CDP's staffed operations are under the sole management and discretion of the Chair. In addition, the volunteer activist-driven structures of the organization are also heavily influenced, and in some ways controlled, by the same person.
3. M/S/P to refer to staff to draft a report of a Ranked Choice voting proposal - De Leon Proposal Introducing a Ranked Choice Voting Process to Statewide Officer Elections and Regional Directors

VI. Received oral report on ADEMs Subcommittee

VII. Compliance Review Commission (CRC)

- A. M/S/P to sustain the decision of the CRC relating to the Democratic Party of Contra Costa Challenge Filed April 23, 2020 by Jason Bezis
- B. M/S/P to sustain the decision of the CRC relating to the Democratic Party of Contra Costa Challenge Filed August 29, 2020 by Jason Bezis but to remove the reference of the January 23, 2020 challenge as a basis for finding Mr. Bezis as being a vexatious litigant.
- C. M/S/P to sustain the decision of the CRC relating to the Democratic Party of Contra Costa Challenge Filed April 8, 2021 by Diddo Clark & Jason Bezis
- D. M/S/P to sustain the decision of the CRC relating to the Democratic Party of Contra Costa Challenge Filed April 22, 2021 by Steve Glazer & Jason Bezis
- E. M/S/P to sustain the decision of the CRC relating to the Democratic Party of Contra Costa Challenge Filed June 24, 2021 by Jason Bezis

VIII. M/S/P to receive and file the following CRC Decisions:

- A. #1 Tomás Oliva against Imperial County DCC Challenge
  - B. #2 Tomás Oliva against Imperial County DCC Challenge
  - C. Jason Bercovitch against San Diego County DCC Challenge
  - D. Brenda Crawford against Solano County DCC Challenge
  - E. Ruth Musser-Lopez against Tulare County DCC Challenge
  - F. Ruth Musser-Lopez against Tulare County DCC Challenge
  - G. Ruth Luevanos/RL Miller against Ventura County DCC Challenge
  - H. Alex Gutierrez against Tulare County DCC Challenge
  - I. Ruth Musser-Lopez against Tulare County DCC Challenge
  - J. Cynthia Homen against Stanislaus County DCC Challenge
  - K. Jeanine Rohn against AD51 ADEM Rep Vacancy Fill Challenge
  - L. Kev Abazajian against Orange County DCC Challenge
- IX. M/S/P Adjourn at 6:42pm

Resolutions Matrix – Floor Packet, November 2022

| <b>PG#</b> | <b>RESOL#</b> | <b>TITLE / SUBJECT</b>  | <b>AUTHOR or CONTACT</b>   | <b>Code</b> |
|------------|---------------|---|--|-------------|
| 1          | 22-11.001     | Resolution on Regulating Harmful Social Media Algorithms  | David Atkins, AD 37  | 2           |
| 1          | 22-11.003     | Extended Time for Americans with Disabilities to Speak During California Local Government Meetings          | Keri Then, AD 60   | 2           |
| 2          | 22-11.005     | Resolution to Provide Additional Relief Funding for Transit Service   | Alfred Twu, AD 15  | 2           |
| 2          | 22-11.010     | Resolution Affirming that Members of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (“AAP”) Community Are American | Deepta Sharma, AD 16   | 2           |
| 2          | 22-11.016     | Solidarity With The People Of Iran and Commemorating Zhina (Masha) Amiri                                    | Daniel Bral, AD 54, Mana Shoostari, AD 13, Juliet Minassian AD 44, Paul Neuman AD 52 | 2           |

1 **Resolution 22-11.001**

2 **Resolution on Regulating Harmful Social Media Algorithms**

3 WHEREAS, myriad studies confirm that social media engagement and amplification algorithms have  
4 contributed directly to the rise of far-right extremism and misinformation by promoting hateful, false and  
5 misleading content, and that these algorithms have not only been directly responsible for helping to  
6 promote and amplify hate speech and misinformation in American elections, but also genocides,  
7 terrorism, mass shootings and an epidemic of mental health crises around the world, pushing people  
8 previously unengaged in these networks down so-called “rabbit holes,” while creating and encouraging  
9 new communities centered around conspiracy theories, misinformation and hate for the purpose of  
10 profit; and

11 WHEREAS, whistleblowers and journalists have proven that social media companies have long known  
12 about these problems, but, as demonstrated by memos obtained by the Washington Post, obscured  
13 evidence and have pursued meager content moderation efforts to curb the worst actors and algorithmic  
14 effects belatedly and under pressure; that even the best moderation efforts do little to fix problems  
15 fundamentally caused by the addictive, divisive and misleading pull of the algorithms themselves or  
16 worse; refused to address the deep systemic damage caused by their dangerous algorithms, stonewalling  
17 efforts at creating transparency around them, and working to further codify them as international trade  
18 secrets; and

19 WHEREAS, while some legislation has been drafted to regulate these algorithms, but few bills have yet  
20 been passed due to the financial power of the social media monopolies; and whereas most existing  
21 legislative efforts have been focused on content moderation and liability reforms under Section 230 of  
22 the Telecommunications Act, which grants broad immunity to website providers, but such reforms only  
23 partially address the root cause of the problem and do not address the underlying problem of automated  
24 sorting of content caused by algorithms deliberately created to amplify information without regard to its  
25 accuracy to confirmation-bias susceptible populations, and such moderation-oriented reforms may  
26 create unintended consequences by undermining freedom of expression, or lead to removal of  
27 marginalized communities' speech and information about basic health services;

28 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party opposes the inaction, prevarication  
29 and greed by social media companies in failing to adequately address how their algorithms have  
30 contributed to the spread of misinformation and hate speech and supports an urgent, action oriented  
31 approach by of regulating and increasing transparency around both addictive social media engagement  
32 algorithms and the corporate surveillance practices that drive them.

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33 **Resolution 22-11.003**

34 **Extended Time for Americans with Disabilities to Speak During California Local Government**  
35 **Meetings**

36 WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, guarantees the equal and fair treatment of  
37 people with disabilities, and all government agencies are regulated by the ADA Title II, Section 504 of the  
38 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and all local California governmental agencies are regulated by the Ralph M.  
39 Brown Act, which requires accommodations for people with disabilities including extended time to  
40 speak, ASL interpretation services, and increases time for those requiring translation services during  
41 public meetings; and

42 WHEREAS, Americans with disabilities have been discriminated against due to presiding officers at  
43 public meetings imposing variable speaker times, and while unintended, reducing speakers' time per  
44 agenda or public hearing negatively impacts disabled persons' ability to compose thoughts and  
45 comments; and

46 WHEREAS, when California local governments ignore a public speaker's disability and deny  
47 them additional time to speak during a meeting, they deny them their rights and a fair opportunity to  
48 participate in local public meetings; and

49 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party affirms the rights of disabled people

1 to make their voices heard, with accommodations including additional speaking time during local  
2 government meetings in California.

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3 **Resolution 22-11.005**

4 **Resolution to Provide Additional Relief Funding for Transit Service**

5 WHEREAS, transit ridership is still below pre-pandemic levels, and is not expected to fully recover until  
6 the end of the decade or later, and nearly all agencies face a budget shortfall (the fiscal cliff) around 2024  
7 when the one-time federal relief funds received in 2020 run out, and

8 WHEREAS, without additional funding, transit agencies will need to make very large service cuts, and  
9 could enter a downward spiral of decreasing ridership, budget shortfalls, and layoffs that could become  
10 impossible to recover from, and

11 WHEREAS, in the long term, the shift to higher density housing and transit-oriented development in  
12 California will increase ridership above 2020 levels and provide the tax base to fund operations,

13 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party supports all efforts to fund and  
14 maintain transit service in a manner that meets or exceeds pre-pandemic levels, in order to provide safe,  
15 accessible, and regionally-connected transit networks for all.

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16 **Resolution 22-11.010**

17 **Resolution Affirming that Members of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (“AAPI”)  
18 Community Are American**

19 WHEREAS, the AAPI community includes individuals who draw their heritage from the Pacific Islands,  
20 East Asia, South Asia, South East Asia, and Central Asia, and is comprised of a diverse community, with no  
21 singular language, religion, or history that binds the community; and there are more than 22 million  
22 members of the AAPI community nationwide, with California being home to the largest AAPI population,  
23 as one out of every six Californians is AAPI; AAPIs are the fastest growing groups in our state and nation,  
24 the community has been crucial to achieving Democratic electoral victories; and

25 WHEREAS, members of the AAPI community are valued members of our society, with a long history of  
26 contributions to our American fabric; in 1587, the first documented arrival of Filipinos occurred; the  
27 earliest evidence of South Asians arriving in America was 1790, and with Sikhs arriving in America in  
28 1899; approximately 20,000 Chinese laborers built the Transcontinental Railroad; the community has  
29 had different pathways and journeys to America; with a segment arriving here as laborers, others  
30 arriving due to political conflict, war, and natural disasters, while many have come to America in recent  
31 years as a result of the Immigration and Naturalization Act of 1965, AAPIs are also the fastest-growing  
32 segment of the undocumented population; and

33 WHEREAS, AAPI communities were the first group to be targeted by race-based prohibitions on  
34 immigration, including under the Page Act of 1875 restricting the entry of Chinese Women, the Chinese  
35 Exclusion Act of 1882 which was extended to prohibit the citizenship of most Asians, including South  
36 Asians, under the Supreme Court case of United States v. Bhagat Singh Thind in 1923; members of the  
37 Japanese American community were summarily incarcerated during World War II; the continued  
38 otherization of this community has led to the present day AAPI Hate, which also includes xenophobic  
39 attacks occurring against Muslim, Sikh, Hindu and South Asian communities in the aftermath of  
40 September 11; and

41 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party affirms and recognizes that members  
42 of the AAPI community are indeed American, and stands against the “forever foreigner” trope that leads  
43 AAPI communities to feel continuously otherized; and

44 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party affirms and recognizes the  
45 contributions of AAPI immigrants, and people of AAPI heritage, to California.

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46 **Resolution 22-11.016**

47 **Solidarity with the People of Iran and Commemorating Zhina (Mahsa) Amini**

48 WHEREAS, on September 16, 2022, a 22-year-old woman, Zhina (Mahsa) Amini, was arrested by Iran’s  
49 Gašt-e Eršād, or “morality police” for supposedly not properly wearing a hijab in accordance with the

1 Islamic Republic of Iran’s compulsory dress codes, and subsequently died as a result of police brutality,  
2 and  
3 WHEREAS, Zhina (Mahsa) Amini’s death sparked the first Iranian female-led revolution of our time,  
4 joined by thousands of Iranian civilians made up of teenagers, students, men, and women of all ages  
5 taking to the streets and university campuses to protest the brutality and repressiveness of the Iranian  
6 regime against their citizens, with many met by more violence and death; and  
7 WHEREAS, Iranian authorities have sought to suppress freedom of speech and dissent by implementing  
8 violent repression of non-violent protests, censorship, torture and punishing journalists, and further  
9 restricting Internet access, yet protests have continued to expand for women’s rights, for the rights of  
10 religious and ethnic minorities in Iran, and meanwhile across the globe marchers by the thousands  
11 continue to demonstrate to support the people of Iran that their bravery in jeopardizing their lives to  
12 dismantle a fanatic status quo of the theocratic regime of Iran is not in vain;  
13 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party stands in solidarity with the people  
14 of Iran in their fight for self-determination, their opposition to torture, and their resistance to the  
15 oppression of their personal liberties.

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## Memorandum

To: CADEM Executive Board  
From: 2022 CADEM Joint Subcommittee on Redistricting  
Date: September 16, 2022  
RE: 2022 CADEM Redistricting Process

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Article V of the CADEM Bylaws instructs both the JEDI and Rules committees to, “propose a plan for redistricting of the Regions after each State Reapportionment is adopted.” In April, lead Co-Chairs from both committees agreed to form a Joint Subcommittee of 5 members from each standing committee to carry out the redistricting process.

After receiving authorization from its parent committees, the newly formed Joint Subcommittee on Redistricting created a [Redistricting Calendar](#) to “map” out the process. Following the creation of the calendar, the Joint Subcommittee produced a Redistricting Survey and hosted 3 Virtual Public Forums to collect delegate recommendations, concerns, and questions about the new CADEM regions.

During these virtual public forums, delegates from every part of our state made their voices heard. While areas like the North part of California largely requested no changes in their current regions, Central and Southern California had a multitude of varying concerns and requests. After collecting and reviewing the dozens of written and verbal testimonies, the Joint Subcommittee met twice to discuss delegate feedback, create a First Draft Map, and approve said draft for dissemination. The Joint Subcommittee then published a final Redistricting Survey and hosted a final virtual public forum, where the general consensus amongst delegates was supportive of the Draft Map. The Joint Subcommittee reviewed the new feedback and voted on a [Final Draft Map](#).

This Final Draft Map will be presented in the floor report of CADEM’s November Executive Board Meeting for approval by the body. We thank you all for your feedback and guidance throughout this process.



## 2022 CADEM Regional Redistricting Calendar

**Background:** Article V of the CADEM Bylaws instructs both the JEDI and Rules Committees to, “propose a plan for Redistricting of the Regions after each State Reapportionment is adopted.” Lead Co-Chairs from both Committees have collaborated and formed a Joint Subcommittee to handle the Redistricting process. The Joint Subcommittee is authorized to oversee the Redistricting process and will present its final proposal at the next regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting in November.

### **Virtual Public Forums (July 21 - August 9)**

The new Joint Subcommittee on Redistricting will hold three separate public hearings to acquire Delegate input for the Redistricting process. The meetings each aim to focus on a specific region of the state. However, input will be accepted at each meeting regardless of region. In addition to the Virtual Public Forums, [this survey](#) will be available to all delegates to submit their opinions and requests.

Virtual Public Forum #1 (North/Central) - Thursday, July 21 @ 6pm - [RSVP Here](#)

Virtual Public Forum #2 (Los Angeles) - Tuesday, July 26 @ 6pm - [RSVP Here](#)

Virtual Public Forum #3 (Southern California) - Tuesday, August 2 @ 6pm - [RSVP Here](#)

### **Creation of First Draft Map (August 9 - September 9)**

CADEM Staff create the first draft map following instructions provided by the Subcommittee.

### **Virtual Public Forum (September 13)**

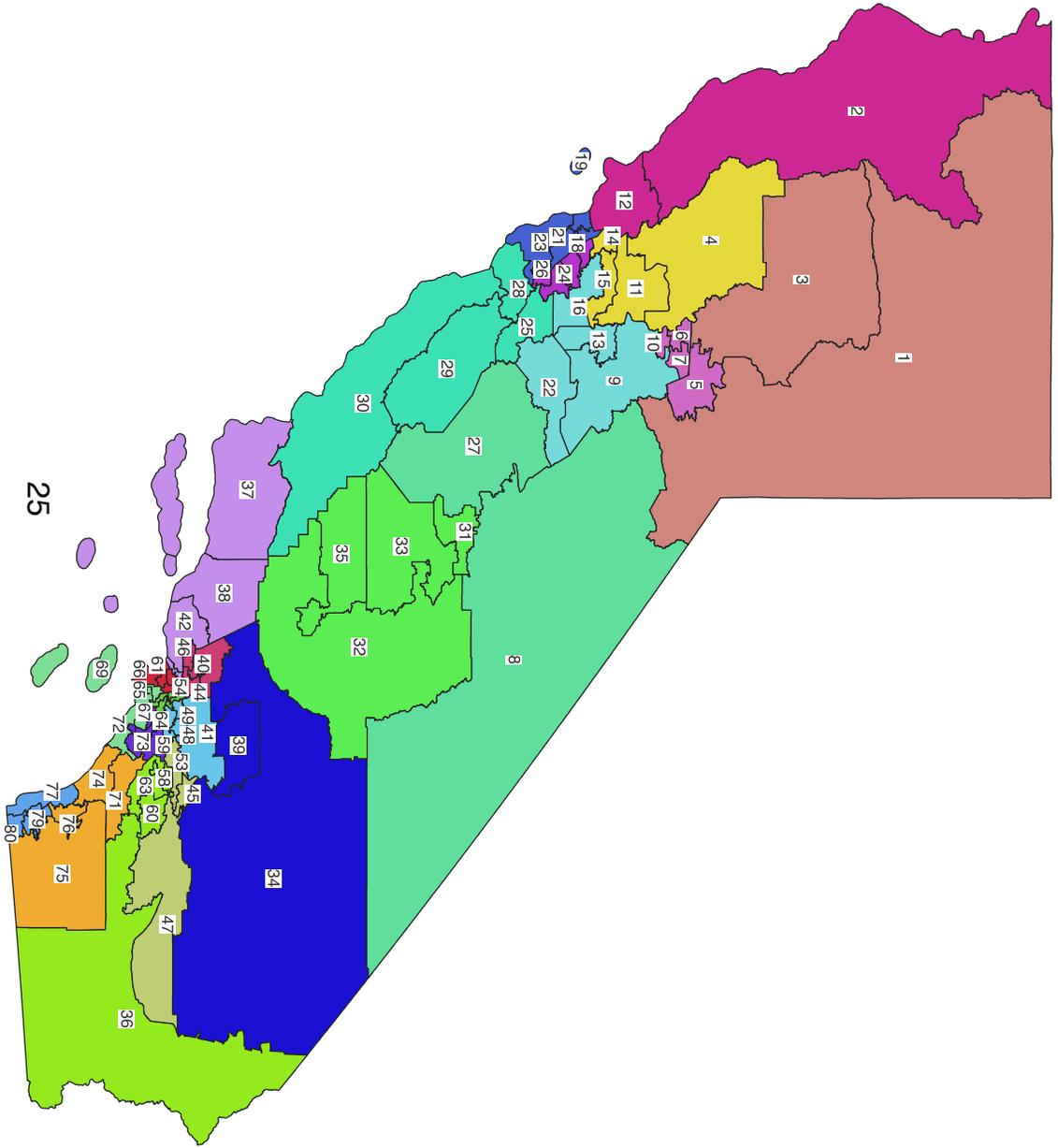
The Joint Subcommittee will hold a public forum on the first draft map. A new survey allowing Delegates to submit written feedback on the first draft will be made accessible before the forum and reviewed after.

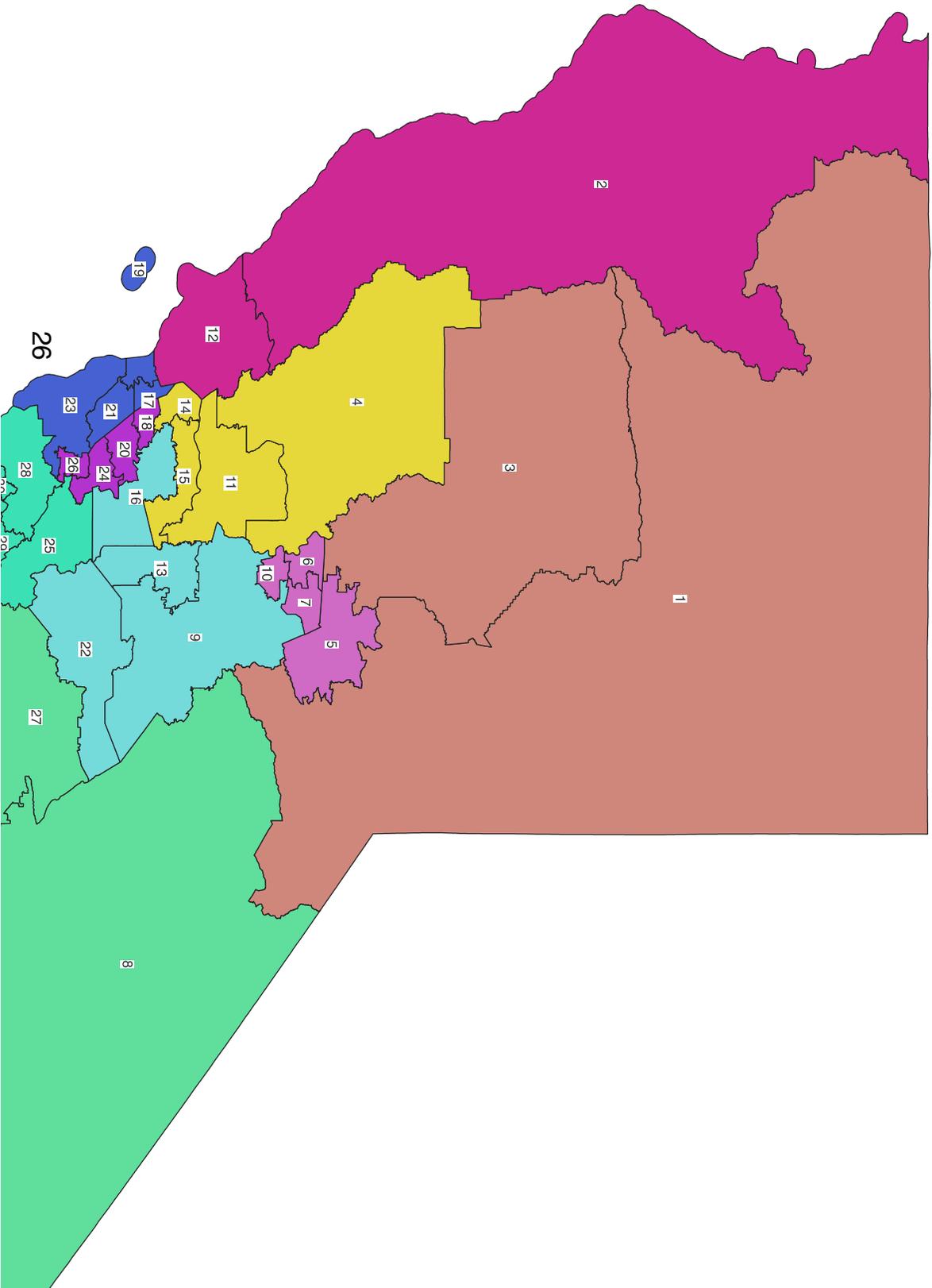
### **Final Map Announcement (September 16)**

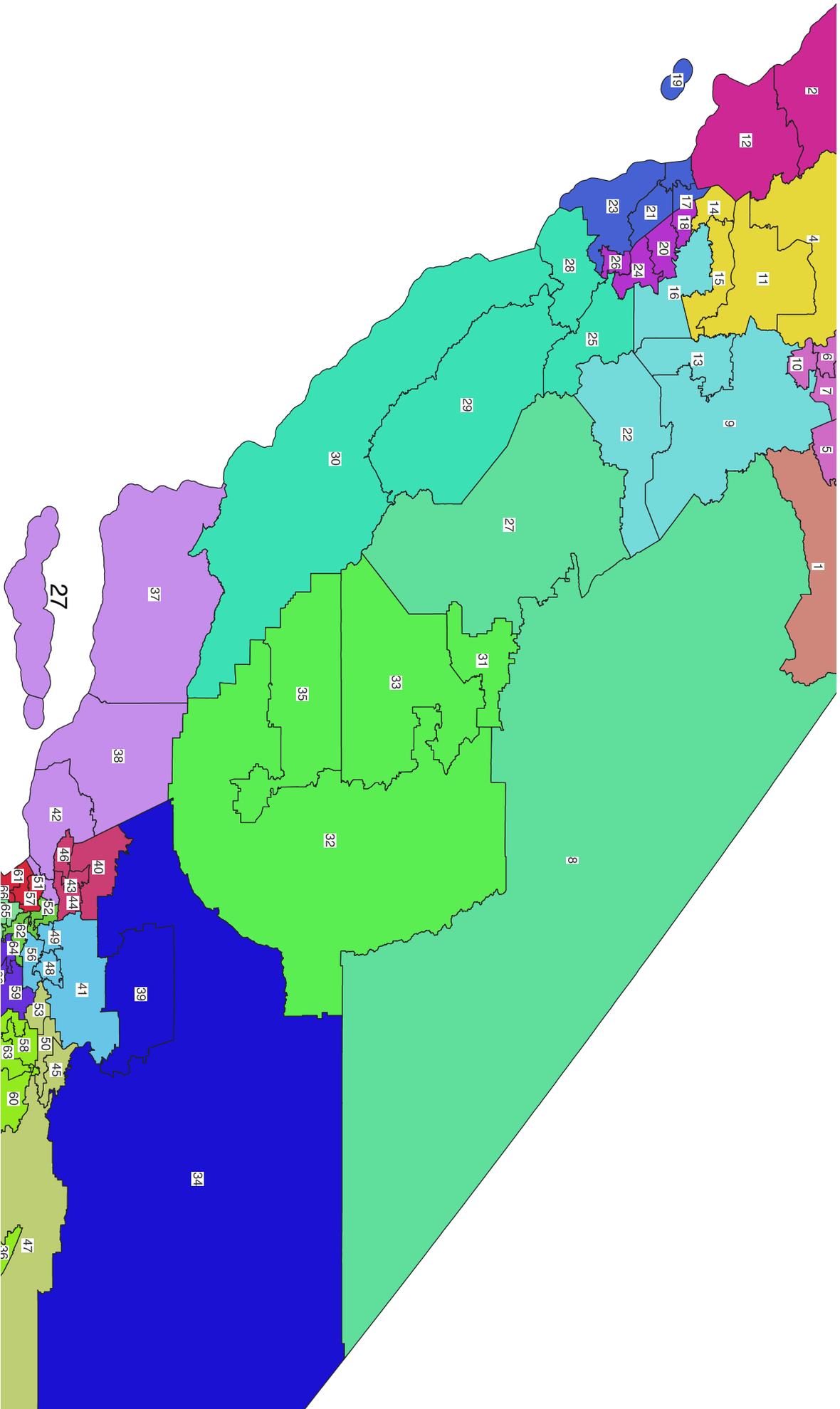
The Joint Subcommittee will post their final maps on CADEM.org for review prior to the November Executive Board meeting.

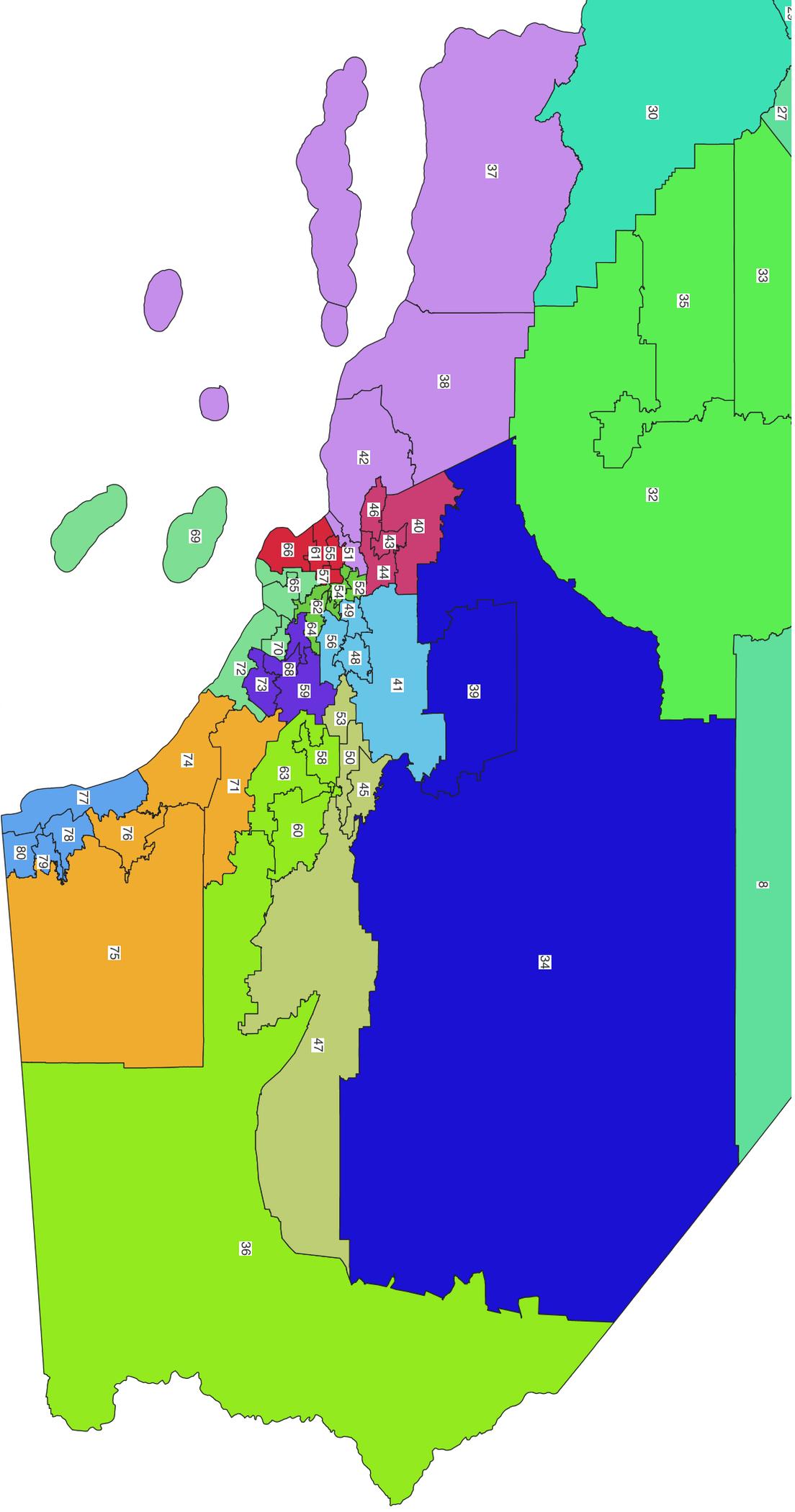
### **Final Map Adoption (November 18 - November 20)**

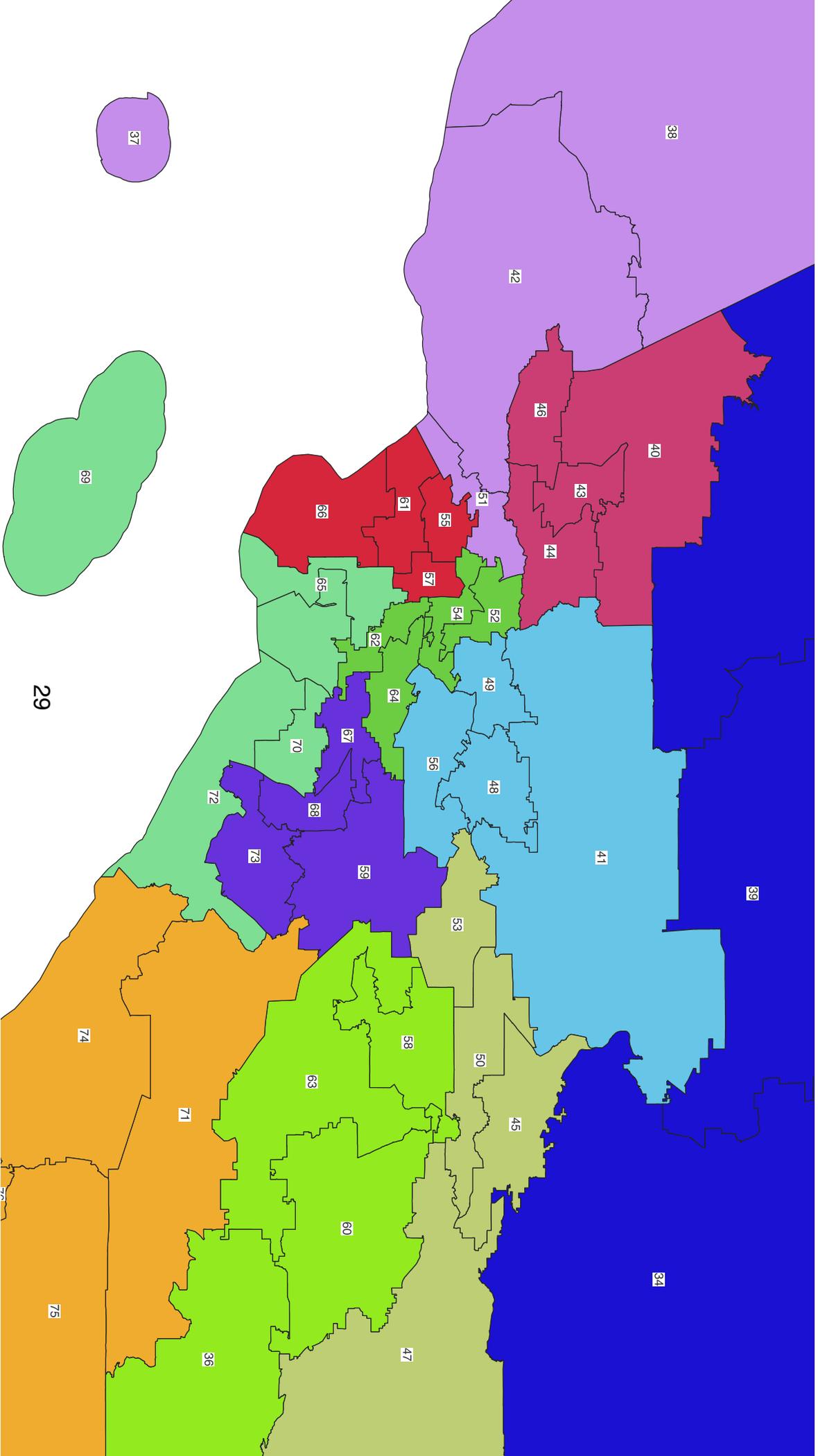
The Joint Subcommittee will present the proposed map to the Executive Board at the November Executive Board meeting.











| <b>REGION</b> | <b>Districts</b> |    |    |    |
|---------------|------------------|----|----|----|
| REGION 01     | 01               | 03 |    |    |
| REGION 02     | 02               | 12 |    |    |
| REGION 03     | 04               | 11 | 14 | 15 |
| REGION 04     | 05               | 06 | 07 | 10 |
| REGION 05     | 08               | 27 |    |    |
| REGION 06     | 09               | 13 | 16 | 22 |
| REGION 07     | 17               | 19 | 21 | 23 |
| REGION 08     | 18               | 20 | 24 | 26 |
| REGION 09     | 25               | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| REGION 10     | 31               | 32 | 33 | 35 |
| REGION 11     | 34               | 39 |    |    |
| REGION 12     | 36               | 58 | 60 | 63 |
| REGION 13     | 37               | 38 | 42 | 51 |
| REGION 14     | 40               | 43 | 44 | 46 |
| REGION 15     | 41               | 48 | 49 | 56 |
| REGION 16     | 45               | 47 | 50 | 53 |
| REGION 17     | 52               | 54 | 62 | 64 |
| REGION 18     | 55               | 57 | 61 | 66 |
| REGION 19     | 59               | 67 | 68 | 73 |
| REGION 20     | 65               | 69 | 70 | 72 |
| REGION 21     | 71               | 74 | 75 | 76 |
| REGION 22     | 77               | 78 | 79 | 80 |



**California Democratic Party  
2022 Fall November Executive Board - Legislation Committee**

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November 20, 2022

The California Democratic Party’s Legislation Committee recommended the adoption of the following legislative positions:

| Leg     | Bill #  | Companion | Bill Title  | Author                  | Position Request | CDP Final Position    |
|---------|---------|-----------|---|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Federal | S. 4787 | HR. 8685  | Afghan Adjustment Act   | Senator Amy Klobuchar   | Support          | SUPPORT (NOVEMBER 22) |
| Federal | S. 4345 |           | Simplifying and Strengthening Public Service Loan Forgiveness Act | Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse | Support          | SUPPORT (NOVEMBER 22) |
| Federal | S 4556  | HR 8404   | Respect for Marriage Act  | Sen. Dianne Feinstein   | Support          | SUPPORT (NOVEMBER 22) |

## 2022 Fall Organizing Committee Floor Report

This cycle, with your help, CADEM's Organizing Department launched a dynamic organizing program that consisted of Regional Organizing Councils, slated phonebanks, youth organizing, and coalition building. The program engaged young voters, grassroots groups, advocacy organizations, and activists from every corner of the state.

This year, we:

- Called more than 3 million voters;
- Held 64,000+ conversations with voters;
- Sent 4.2 million text messages;
- Hosted 12 college rallies and events across California with more than 2,000 students attending, planning, and facilitating;
- Dispatched activists to over 7,000 volunteer shifts;
- Supported the campaigns of 90 candidates running for federal, state, and local office

But the work is still not done! Help us get 51 Senate seats and flip every House seat:

- CA-22 Ballot Curing
  - We need in-person volunteers to assist with ballot curing: <https://www.mobilize.us/cadems/event/543946>
- Georgia Runoff
  - Canvassing Opportunities: [cadem.org/canvassforgeorgia](https://cadem.org/canvassforgeorgia)
  - MAKE CALLS from HOME: [cadem.org/caforgeorgia](https://cadem.org/caforgeorgia)
  - Traveling to Georgia? Complete THIS FORM: [cadem.org/travelforgeorgia](https://cadem.org/travelforgeorgia)

Lastly, we want to thank the California Democratic Party and everyone who joined yesterday's phonebank for Georgia after General Session 1. It is so important that we take every opportunity we can to organize. For the past two Eboards, CADEM's new Organizing Department has mobilized us to take action and canvass, phonebank, and even clean up our rivers! If we want to win, we need to do the hard work year-round and it needs to start with us as delegates of this party.

Thank you

**CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
SATURDAY - GENERAL SESSION I  
SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2022**

**Welcome:** Officers/Los Angeles Fire Department Honor Guard presentation of colors/Pledge of Allegiance.

**Acknowledgements:** Moment of silence to honor gun victims, California Indians Land Acknowledgement to support native peoples and the Muslim holiday, EID of sacrifice which represents the pilgrimage to Mecca and the sacrifice of Abraham.

**Credentials Preliminary Report:** 300 registered delegates, 277 signed in. Final report for a vote will be at the July 10, 2022, general session.

**N. Martinez:** Delivered remarks on leading as the 1<sup>st</sup> Latina president and as a female representing the City Council, District 6, San Fernando Valley.

**Chair, Rusty Hicks:** Welcomed the delegates. Delivered remarks on focusing and the importance of California leadership and what is at stake for 2022. Additionally, he shared a snapshot as to what to expect for the day, knock on doors, make phone calls, and clean up the LA River and a look ahead for 2024.

**Michael Tubbs:** Delivered remarks on how to deliver for voters. Vote and work with us at the California Democratic Party.

**Betty Yee, CDP Vice Chair (CADEM) and CA State Controller:** Delivered remarks on the possibilities. Margins given of California Democrats seats held, (75% Assembly), (78% Senate), (79% Congressional) districts. Our work is not done, contest every race.

**Kody Jaeger Inyo Co 3<sup>rd</sup> District Sup Candidate:** Delivered remarks on being the 1<sup>st</sup> Native American candidate for the supervisor seat, district 3, (when she wins). She stated that she was inspired by the "contest every race project" to stop the spread of hate and the lack of resources.

**Yvette Martinez, Executive Director (CADEM):** Introduced Selina Vasquez, Executive Director, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles. She spoke on the access needed for women's health care and voting for Prop #1 on the ballot.

**Mark Gonzalez, Chair of Los Angeles County Democratic Party (LACDP):** Delivered remarks on every election will determine our counties, state, and our country. All our rights are at stake. We must unite and work together. Mark introduced Karen Bass.

**Karen Bass U.S. Congresswomen and candidate for Los Angeles City Mayor:**

Thanked the delegates for their endorsement and the primary victory on June 7th. In addition to over 40 million dollars was spent on attack ads; but we as democrats have the power of the people and the party and can win through organizing. Karen stated that she is fighting for the soul of Los Angeles, and it cannot be bought.

**David Campos, CDP Vice-Chair (CADEM):** Spoke about the Mayor's race in LA, family and living as regular people and those who have struggles, diversity and not people with money. He said that there is a national fight for the soul of this country and in many respects that fight is going to be determined right here in California. The work of the Party is about organizing. The CDP started a forever organizing program and CADEM must give out the tools needed to club and central committees to be successful. David introduced Tamara Levenson, Grassroots Democrats.

**Tamara Levenson, Executive Director, Grassroots Democrats HQ:**

The organization began in 2018. The stakes are high, and the Grassroots Dems HQ helps volunteers by working with CADEM and giving the grassroots the structure to win and has a paid youth peer to peer field program. HQ is an extension of the campaigns moving from one election to another. In 2020 they made 6 million phone calls, sent 3 million texts, and wrote 700,000 postcards. In this 2022 election cycle so far, they have made 1 million calls, sent 5 million texts, wrote 400,000 postcards, and knocked on 30,000 doors. Join the network of volunteers.

**April Verrett, CDP Controller (CADEM):** Delivered remarks and stated the democrats must stand up and be committed to getting federal, state, and local candidates elected. April went on to say that as democrats must be the answer in 2022 and the years to come to turn our democracy around. April introduced CA Lieutenant Gov. Eleni Kounalakis.

**Eleni Kounalakis, California Lieutenant Governor:** Delivered remarks that she is the Acting Governor until 8PM. Eleni gave accolades for former speakers and current candidates. She stated that we must focus on the challenges and recognize our strengths. Eleni noted that we made history, she signed a bill into law to extend the rent relief program. This was the 1st time a woman signed a bill into law in the state of California. Eleni stated that we need to do more to fight for our families for a better California with the California Democratic Party and vote Yes on Prop 1.

**CDP Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** Introduced CD27 U.S. candidate, Christy Smith and CADEM Staff Andrea and Casandra who all gave remarks. Get back to activism and volunteer reminders for phone banking, canvassing and the LA River clean up.

**CDP Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** gave announcement reminders regarding voting for the new DNC member and CADEM Interim Secretary that will be from 2-6pm in the Platinum Room, 3rd floor, preliminary result will be posted by the end of the evening and results announced at General Session tomorrow. Rusty ended the meeting.

**SUNDAY - GENERAL SESSION 2**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2022**

**CDP Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** Opened the meeting at 10:00am and thanked many participants.

**CDP Credentials Committee Lead Co-Chair Lara Larramendi:** Delivered the Credentials Report. There are 281 registered delegates for a 72% over E-board. Total E-board members is 391. There is a quorum present. Credentials M/S/P for adoption.

**CDP Parliamentarian Coby King:** Delivered the meeting rules for the day. M/S/P to adopt the rules.

**CDP Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** Thanked all the candidates that submitted their names to run for the DNC and Secretary seats. Rusty delivered the results for the vote for statewide Interim Secretary and DNC position. Results were announced—DNC-269 votes cast, Rhodesia Ransom was the winner with 71% of the vote. Interim Secretary vote was 267 casted, winner was Diana Love with 232 votes, 87%. Chair Hicks invite Diana to come and speak and take her seat at the table.

**Diana Love** spoke and thanked many that assisted her along the way; and about the importance of 3 words, Unite, Unity and Comm**UNITY**.

**Rules Committee Report:** Coby King and Valeria acknowledged committee members present and past along with CADEM staff.

Technical changes and amendments addressed:

1. 3a.1-(p3-4)-Added to bylaws list of offices, the President and Vice President if they have residence in California and have membership. Motion to adopt, M/SP.
2. B.1a-(p4-6) –By-law changes. Changes and a series on how to conduct the ADEM Meetings in 2023. Motion to adopt, M/S/P.
3. Standing Committee bylaw changes and additions.  
Article V (p6, 11-14)-Motion to adopt, M/S/P.  
Item 4a (p6, 8-10), M/S/P.  
Item D1-Article 1, M/S/P—Regional Director lines to be redrawn, M/S/P  
Item 7-Code of Conduct, M/S/P  
Motion to adopt the Report—M/S/P

**CDP Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** asked that everyone in the room wear a mask.

**Resolutions/Ballot Measures Report:** CDP Resolutions Committee Co-Chairs Agi Kessler/Brandon Zavala thanked committee members, authors, and CADEM staff. Ballot Measures-Pg 25- presented consent calendar. M/S/P. Resolutions-Pg 26- presented consent calendar, M/S/P. Agi asked the body to read and circulate resolutions condemning Roe vs Wade and new Supreme Courts abandonments.

**CDP Legislative Committee:** Margaret Granado/Amar Thomas Thanked the committee members. Motion to adopt the consent calendar, M/S/P.

**CDP JEDI Committee:** Lead Co-chair Carolyn Fowler/Steven Auclair thank the committee members. Carolyn reports on the revision of the Code of Conduct and the redistricting process.

**CDP Finance Report:** Controller April Verrett. Continuing to focus on small dollar contributions, building CADEM 2022 and Trail Raisers. April stated that CADEM loses \$75,000 a year in revenue on waivers for dues and registration fees and that number has grown year after year. April ended the report with CADEM having lots of success from the Learning Compliance Circle for County Chairs and Treasurers.

**CDP Organizing Committee:** Luke Tesluk reported on phone banking and canvassing. Phone bank, made over 6800 dials and 368 contacts and partnered with grassroots groups.

**DNC Report:** Ada Briceño/David Atkins gave updates and welcomed Rhodesia. Next meeting will be in Maryland in September 2022 voting on the Presidential Primary calendar.

**CYD Report:** Diane Le was not present to give the report. Chair Hicks reported that CYD caucuses will holding their report over until the November Executive Board meeting.

**Chair Rusty Hicks (CADEM):** Delivered closing remarks. Motion to adjourn, M/S/P.

Unite, Unity, Community



Diana Love, Interim Secretary  
California Democratic Party

**November 2022 CADEM Virtual Fall Executive Board**

**In Memoriam**

Hon. Ying Lee Kelley, Alameda County

Barbara White, Alameda County

Helen Wieckowski, Alameda County

Hon. Betty Moose, Alameda County

Terry Sandoval, Alameda County

Hon. John Dutra, Alameda County

Jim Mordecai, Alameda County

Dmitri Belser Alameda County

Linda Crayton, Alameda County

Lindy Burke, Orange County

Kim Mangone, Los Angeles County

Socorro Cisneros, Los Angeles County

Rosalind Wyman, Brought the Dodgers to Los Angeles County

Ricardo Monroy CADEM Staff Member, Los Angeles County

Carmen Ramirez, Los Angeles County

Henry Huerta, AD 57 DSCC Member, Los Angeles County

William A. "Bill" Sims, Marin County

Laureen MacPherson, Marin County

Milly Livingston, Peace Activist, Auburn, Placer County

Kate Hoover Calfee, Placer County

Mustafa Nizam, San Diego County

Poppy DeMarco Dennis, San Diego County

Richard C. Blum, Husband of U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein's, San Francisco County

Congressman Norman Mineta, San Jose CA, Santa Clara County

Teresa Brown, Tracy, San Joaquin County

Stephan Gale, former Chair of the Sonoma County DCC, Sonoma County

Robert "Spider" Cantley Twain Harte, Tuolumne County

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