RESOLUTION 20-11.04
Maintain Cash Retail
WHEREAS extensive research shows Black, Latino, and other vulnerable populations historically subjected to discriminatory lending practices continue to have less access to financial resources, and California’s economy shifts toward an increasingly cashless system where many individuals (including children) without significant digital financial assets (credit cards, debit cards, electronic banking, etc) may be unable to access essential goods and services; and
WHEREAS significant barriers of entry exist to participating in digital financial asset systems that may include a minimum threshold of assets, geographic availability, the initial cost of electronic devices, technical savvy, as well as the loss of purchasing power associated with mandatory use taxes or transaction fees sometimes associated with cashless purchase; and
WHEREAS the growth of “cashless” stores are a slippery slope that can accumulate into “cashless neighborhoods” that can become de facto racially and/or economically segregated neighborhoods with little or no oversight where those without digital financial assets cannot purchase public transportation or even a bottle of water;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the maintenance of cash-based retail systems that allow those without access to significant digital financial assets to continue to travel freely, access essential goods and services and participate as functional members of society; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author of this resolution will send copies of this resolution to members of local governments in all 58 counties in California.
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RESOLUTION 20-11.05
Hold Corporate Perpetrators Responsible
Whereas unsafe products and services provided by corporations that harm the physical, mental, and financial health of our society are approved and promoted by company leaders, but are punished by fines—not commensurate with the profits gained—paid by corporations and ultimately customers with no consequences for those responsible; and
Whereas many examples abound to show corporate fines have not been sufficient in changing the criminal behavior of corporate decision-makers because they have not been held personally and criminally responsible for their actions; and
Whereas a corporate created opioid epidemic is currently destroying lives, there is price gouging for PPEs during the COVID crisis, vaping is marketed to kids, our private information is sold to those who rig our elections, defective car airbags maim, neglectful PG&E caused fires to kill 84 Californians, banks commit mortgage fraud leaving kids to live in cars – they all have two things in common: No one went to jail and corporate executives put profit before our health, safety, privacy or the environment; and
Therefore Be It Resolved that the California Democratic Party supports holding corporate officers and managers criminally responsible for endangering the public whether they were deliberate or through negligence, with punishment fitting the crime patterned after sentences for other illegal actions.
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RESOLUTION 20-11.09
RESTORATION OF INTEGRITY IN FEDERAL JUDICIARY
WHEREAS the United States federal judiciary has been packed with conservative judges over the term of Donald Trump, culminating with Judge Amy Coney Barrett being sworn in as the 115th Supreme Court
Justice on October 26th, 2020, ensuring 6-3 conservative control of the Supreme Court and conservative
majorities in much of the lower courts for the foreseeable future; and
WHEREAS these appointments largely come from a perversion of the Senate appointment process whereby
Republican Senate leadership unapologetically obstructed a majority of President Obama’s appointments
to the courts, including, but not limited to, judge Merrick Garland’s appointment to the Supreme Court seat
now held by Neil Gorsuch, with the specific intent of keeping those seats open for a future GOP president
to fill, and then hypocritically violated the very rules they set down about election-year appointments to
the Supreme Court, by rushing through a partially vetted Judge Barrett only weeks before a Presidential
election in which over 60 million people had already voted; and
WHEREAS these illegitimate appointments of conservative judges and perversion of the Constitutional
process have created a severe threat to our election system, our democratic process and the ideals and
policies of the Democratic Party and the fundamental human rights of people of color, the LGBTQIA+
community, immigrants, religious minorities, and the working class at large;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party strongly supports a thorough and
complete assessment and implementation of measures needed to reform and rebalance the Supreme Court
and the lower courts of the federal judiciary, which may include but should not be limited to, expanding
access to justice through creating more seats for judges, judicial term limits, establishing a process to rotate
judges, certiorari reform, and assessing or reassigning the jurisdiction of certain courts; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party recognizes that the spiraling disregard
and misuse of Senate procedural rules under GOP control, may necessitate that Democratic-controlled
Congress to operate with the understanding that Democrats may have to take such steps as are necessary
to ensure that these perversions and undermining of our checks and balances that protect our democratic
republic are corrected and ensure that they no longer continue.

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RESOLUTION 20-11.13
Providing basic life saving measures for detainees, arrestees, and prisoners
WHEREAS in the State of California more than 600,000 are behind bars or under criminal justice
supervision (2019), about a thousand people die every year while in the process of being arrested, while
subject to use of force by law enforcement, in the temporary custody of a law enforcement agency, or while
incarcerated in a city, county, or state correctional facility; and
WHEREAS many of these deaths are preventable, many of these individuals are either children or have not
been convicted of any crime, these deaths over represent Black and Latino populations, and prisoners who
might still medically be able to summon their own assistance rarely have sufficient resources or freedom
with which to do so; and
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party believes that any and all persons under
detention, arrest, or in-custody be provided with basic life saving measures;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author will send copies of this resolution to county governments
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RESOLUTION 20-11.20
Taking the Hate out of Homeownership
WHEREAS In the State of California every year thousands of real estate transactions continue to be
conducted using deeds, titles, and other documents that include race restricting covenants that prevent
transfer(s) of property to racial, ethnic, or religious minorities, but frequently Black people, with many
homeowners unaware of racially related documents; and
WHEREAS in 1948 the US Supreme Court ruled in Shelley v. Kramer that rendered racially restrictive
covenants unenforceable, and the Fair Housing Act made them illegal, and state (or local) enforcement of
such covenants violated the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment; and
WHEREAS the continued inclusion of these covenants in real estate contracts discourages the transfer of property to both people of color and religious minorities, artificially reduces the supply of housing, and perpetuates a discriminatory housing practice; 
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the removal of racially restrictive covenants from the real estate transaction process; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author of this resolution will send copies to county governments in all 58 counties.

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RESOLUTION 20-11.22
Resolution Opposing Final Rule on Campus and K-12 Sexual Assault and Harassment
WHEREAS Secretary of Education DeVos recently issued a final rule under Title IX which guts protections for victims of sexual assault and harassment for college campuses and K-12 schools, the new rule among other things requiring colleges and universities to provide a live hearing before a panel in which a person accused of sexual assault or harassment has the right to cross-examine a complainant through an “advisor” chosen by the accused and who may but need not be an attorney but who can be anyone, including a fellow student, fraternity member or angry parent, and the new rule further requires schools and colleges to dismiss any complaint that does not meet the high bar of being “severe and pervasive” as well as “objectively offensive,” such that it denies the victim access to an educational program, and the rule further excludes most off-campus and online harassment and assault from the purview of Title IX entirely, and further allows colleges to require “clear and convincing evidence” to prove sexual harassment and assault; and
WHEREAS experts and survivors have said the rule will reduce the willingness of survivors to come forward, will require schools to abandon certain trauma-informed best practices, and is too narrow in scope; and
WHEREAS the final rule, which is over 2,000 pages long, imposes dramatically changed substantive rules and expanded procedural requirements and was issued in the midst of a global pandemic and associated shutdown of schools across the nation, and yet requires full compliance within just three months;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party opposes DeVos’s final rule, supports legal action being taken by the National Women’s Law Center to prevent the rule from becoming effective, urges in any event that the August 14, 2020 effective date be delayed to allow schools more time to study and prepare to comply with the rule, and further calls on Congress to immediately pass legislation to revoke the rule and adopt rules, modeled on the U.S Department of Education’s 2001 Sexual Harassment Guidance, and 2011 and 2014 guidance documents revoked by Secretary DeVos, which will better protect students against sexual assault and harassment.

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RESOLUTION 20-11.23
Translators and interpreters ensure language access for Californians
WHEREAS more than 40 percent of California residents, speak a language other than English at home, including some immigrants, and nearly 20 percent of state residents, or almost 8 million people, have limited English proficiency (LEP), with many relying on highly skilled translators and interpreters to participate in every aspect of life, from education to business, labor, science, and technology and from the courts to the arts, entertainment, conferences, and health and medical appointments and social service; and
WHEREAS the Americans with Disabilities Act guarantees access to auxiliary aids and services by people with disabilities, including more than 2.2 million Californians who are deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing, or with a speech disability relying on access to auxiliary aids and services, which include sign language interpreting services and communications access real-time translation (CART); and
Whereas all obstacles to Californians' access to highly-skilled, expert translators and interpreters should be removed;
Therefore Be It Resolved, that the California Democratic Party recognizes access to highly-skilled, expert translators and interpreters who ensure language access for Californians be as an issue of dignity, equality, and inclusion that Democrats respect and protect; and
Be It Further Resolved the California Democratic Party opposes policies and practices that jeopardize Californians' capacity to access highly-skilled, expert translators and interpreters as that would be considered threats to civil rights and progress towards equity in our diverse state.

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RESOLUTION 20-11.25
Protecting the Amah Mutsun Sacred Site of Juristac
WHEREAS, the area in Central California known as Juristac to the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band is the location of numerous ceremonial and sacred sites, comprising a landscape of great historical, cultural and spiritual importance to the Amah Mutsun, who are working diligently to restore their indigenous practices, regain stewardship of their lands, heal from historical trauma, and fulfill their obligation to Creator; and Juristac is home to threatened and endangered species and is identified in the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan and other regional landscape linkage studies as a vital wildlife corridor linking the Santa Cruz, Gabilan, and Diablo Ranges; and
WHEREAS, the Sargent Ranch Management Company has applied to the County of Santa Clara for a conditional use permit for a proposed open-pit sand and gravel mining operation (the Sargent Quarry Project) with aggregate processing facilities on approximately 320 acres of Sargent Ranch, located within the area known as Juristac to the Amah Mutsun; potentially removing 40 million tons of sand and gravel aggregate, plus millions of tons of overburden (layers of soil, clay, etc.), from four massive pits, up to 550 feet deep, dug into hills considered sacred to the Amah Mutsun; and
WHEREAS, the Amah Mutsun maintain that the proposed mining pits, overburden piles, roads, and processing facilities would irreparably harm Mutsun cultural resources, including wildlife, landscape features, and the spiritual integrity of Juristac, threaten the sensitive ecology of this unique habitat and impact adjacent ecological areas, whose threatened populations make use of this critical wildlife corridor; and the Tribal Council of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band has taken a unanimous stance in opposition to the Sargent Quarry Project and is seeking the support of surrounding communities in efforts to protect their sacred grounds; numerous individuals, groups, environmental organizations, the cities of Santa Cruz and Morgan Hill, the Democratic Parties of Santa Clara County and Santa Cruz County, and Region 7 of the California Democratic Party have adopted resolutions opposing the proposed Sargent Quarry Project; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party supports the efforts of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band to preserve Sargent Ranch/Juristac as open space and to regain access to their cultural and spiritual sites at Juristac; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the California Democratic Party opposes any projects that would compromise any cultural and sacred sites.

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RESOLUTION 20-11.26
Opposing the Sale of Dangerous Fireworks for Non Commercial Use
WHEREAS forest fires in California in 2020 to date, have burned 4 million acres, killed 31 people, and
destroyed 7,000 homes, while 2018 forest fires killed more than 100 people and destroyed 17,000 homes,
nationwide, more than 19,500 total fires were started by fireworks between 2014-2018, with forty-nine
percent of all fires reported on the fourth of July determined to have been started by fireworks (2018) and
59% of those being brush, grass, or forest fires; and
WHEREAS fireworks injuries continue to disproportionately injure children under 15 years of age with a
third of fireworks eye injuries resulting in permanent blindness, and the American Academy of Pediatrics
stating unequivocally “every type of legally available consumer use (“safe and sane”) firework has been
associated with serious injury or death”; and
WHEREAS despite California air quality last month being simultaneously both the worst in the United
States and the worst in California history, almost three hundred California communities still allow sales of
personal use fireworks;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party opposes the sale of fireworks not
intended for commercial use;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author will send copies of this resolution to members of county
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RESOLUTION 20-11.30
Congratulations to President-Elect Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and Vice President-Elect Kamala D. Harris
Whereas, former Vice President Joseph R. Biden and Senator Kamala D. Harris have received over 78
million votes, the highest popular vote ever, and have captured the 306 electoral college votes to become
the 46th President and the 49th Vice President of the United States of America; and
Whereas, the voters have made history again by electing the first ever South Asian and African-American
woman to serve as Vice President of the United States of America; and
Whereas, President-Elect Joseph R. Biden and Vice President-Elect Kamala D. Harris have received
accolades from leaders around the world in recognition of their successful campaign to lead one of the
world’s largest democracies; leaders who have been frustrated over the past four years due to the lack of
leadership and indecisiveness from the White House; leaders who respect America and depend on America
for keeping the world safe; leaders who look to America to lead with dignity, decency, respect and honor;
leaders who look to America to lead in finding a cure for COVID-19 and addressing climate change, world
hunger, conflicts and human rights;
Therefore Be It Resolved, that the California Democratic Party supports counting all votes cast by mail and
in person in every state in the union regardless of false claims of impropriety; and
Be It further Resolved, that the California Democratic Party joins the voters in American and the
International community in extending congratulations to President-Elect Joseph R. Biden and Vice
President-Elect Kamala D. Harris as our next President and Vice President of the United States of America.

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