



Memorandum

To: Democratic State Central Committee (DSCC) Members and Interested Parties
From: Clark Lee, Political Director
On behalf of Eric C. Bauman, Chair; and Statewide Officers: Alex Gallardo-Rooker, Vice Chair; Daraka Larimore-Hall, Vice Chair; Jenny Bach, Secretary; Dan Weitzman, Controller
Date: February 15, 2018
Subject: Update: 2018 Democratic Statewide Candidates Eligible for CDP Endorsement Consideration

On behalf of California Democratic Party (CDP) Chair Eric C. Bauman and the CDP Statewide Officers, this memorandum is an update to the memorandum issued by the Chair and the Statewide Officers on January 31, 2018, regarding 2018 Democratic Statewide Candidates eligible for CDP endorsement consideration. The original memorandum is attached.

Pursuant to the 2018 California Democratic Party (CDP) Convention Rules adopted at the CDP November 2017 Executive Board Meeting, the CDP statewide officers have reviewed all statewide candidate endorsement applications and determined the viability and the eligibility of statewide candidates for CDP endorsement consideration. The 2018 CDP Convention Rule 10 states:

Candidates seeking statewide endorsement must submit a 250-word statement on why they should be eligible to be endorsed. The Chair, in consultation with the Statewide Officers of This Committee, will determine which Democratic candidates for Statewide Offices are viable and eligible to seek our endorsement. (Rules for the 2018 CDP Convention, Rule 10, adopted at the CDP Executive Board Meeting, November 19, 2017)

Additionally, on Friday, February 2, 2018, Mr. Pat Harris, U.S. Senate candidate, filed a challenge regarding the decision of the Statewide Officers to not include Mr. Harris on the endorsement ballot, due to a determination he did not reach the threshold to be considered viable. Per the decision of the Compliance Review Commission (CRC) issued on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, The CRC finds Mr. Harris shall be eligible to participate in the CDP Endorsement process. The name of Mr. Harris is added to the list of the eligible candidates below.

2018 List of Statewide Candidates Eligible for CDP Endorsement Consideration

(Alphabetical Order in Each Election Contest)

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Kevin de León
Dianne Feinstein
Pat Harris

Attorney General

Xavier Becerra
Dave Jones

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Tony Thurmond
Marshall Tuck

Governor

John Chiang
Delaine Eastin
Gavin Newsom
Antonio Villaraigosa

State Controller

Betty Yee

State Treasurer

Fiona Ma

Insurance Commissioner

Ricardo Lara
Asif Mahmood

Board of Equalization, Dist. 1

Tom Hallinan

Lieutenant Governor

Jeff Bleich
Ed Hernandez
Eleni Kounalakis

Secretary of State

Ruben Major
Alex Padilla

Board of Equalization, Dist. 2

Malia Cohen
Cathleen Galgiani

Board of Equalization, Dist. 3

Scott Svonkin
Tony Vazquez

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The following candidates are deemed viable and eligible to seek the CDP endorsement:

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