

California

STATEWIDE SPECIAL ELECTION

Tuesday, October 7, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTNESS

I, Kevin Shelley, Secretary of State of the State of California, do hereby certify that the measures included herein will be submitted to the electors of the State of California at the Statewide Special Election to be held throughout the State on October 7, 2003, and that this pamphlet has been correctly prepared in accordance with the law.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State in Sacramento, California, this 31st day of August, 2003.

Kevin Shelley
Kevin Shelley
Secretary of State



**Official Voter
Information Guide**

SECRETARY OF STATE



Dear Voter:

On October 7th, California will make history. For the first time, our state will conduct a gubernatorial recall election.

The world is watching how we face the challenge of this election. As we make this important decision, we must make sure it reflects the will of the largest number of voters possible.

I have pledged to make sure that every vote counts. But first and foremost, each of us needs to make sure that as many votes as possible are cast.

That's why I hope you will be sure to vote. I also hope you will take a moment to visit a special website, www.MyVoteCounts.ca.gov, to learn how you can help inform other California voters about the decision ahead.

You have the Official Voter Information Guide in your hands. The Guide contains the following important information about the recall election:

- The list of candidates who are running to replace the governor if the recall succeeds;
- Statements from those candidates who have voluntarily accepted campaign spending limits; and
- The text of two measures, Propositions 53 ("Funds Dedicated for State and Local Infrastructure") and 54 ("Classification by Race, Ethnicity, Color, or National Origin").

This material is also posted on the Internet at www.ss.ca.gov. Please review it carefully.

And please remember, the Statewide Special Election on October 7, 2003, could very well be one of the most important ballots you ever cast. Don't forget to vote, and do what you can to remind your friends and family to make their voices heard on this historic day.



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my Vote COUNTS

STATEWIDE SPECIAL ELECTION INFORMATION

At the October 7, 2003, Statewide Special Election there will be three questions on the ballot. The first is a two-part question regarding the recall of the governor. The second and third questions are ballot measures (Propositions 53 and 54).

The recall question contains two parts. You may vote on both parts or on just one. Either way, your vote will be counted. The first part will ask, "Shall Gray Davis be recalled (removed) from the office of Governor?"

The second part will list the names of candidates running to replace the governor if he is recalled. If you choose to vote for a replacement candidate, you may vote for only one of the many candidates.

If more voters mark "yes" than "no" on the first part of the recall question, the governor will be removed from office. If more voters mark "no" than "yes," the governor will remain in office.

If the governor is recalled, the candidate who receives the most votes will be elected as the new governor. That person can be sworn in as the governor once the results of the election are certified.

This pamphlet includes the "statement of reasons" submitted by the proponents of the recall, the governor's answer to that statement, and arguments for or against the recall. It also contains information on both state propositions.



PROPONENT'S GROUNDS FOR RECALL AND THE GOVERNOR'S RESPONSE

The recall petition circulated throughout the state included arguments for and against a possible recall. For your information, we are providing an identical copy of these arguments below.

Proponent's Statement of Reasons

TO THE HONORABLE GRAY DAVIS: Pursuant to Section 11020, California Election Code, the undersigned registered qualified voters of the State of California, hereby give notice that we are the proponents of a recall petition and that we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of Governor of the State of California, and to demand election of a successor in that office. The grounds for the recall are as follows: **Gross mismanagement of California Finances by overspending taxpayers' money, threatening public safety by cutting funds to local governments, failing to account for the exorbitant cost of the energy fiasco, and failing in general to deal with the state's major problems until they get to the crisis stage. California should not have to be known as the state with poor schools, traffic jams, outrageous utility bills, and huge debts . . . all caused by gross mismanagement.**

Governor's Answer to the Statement

IF YOU SIGN THIS PETITION, IT MAY LEAD TO A SPECIAL ELECTION THIS SUMMER COSTING US TAXPAYERS AN ADDITIONAL \$20-40 MILLION.

Last November, almost 8,000,000 Californians went to the polls. They voted to elect Governor Davis to another term.

Just days after the Governor's inauguration in January, however, a handful of rightwing politicians are attempting to overturn the voters' decision. They couldn't beat him fair and square, so now they're trying another trick to remove him from office.

This effort is being led by the former Chairman of the State Republican Party, who was censured by his own party.

We should not waste scarce taxpayers' dollars on sour grapes. The time for partisanship and campaigning is past. It's time for both parties to work together on our State's problems.

Moreover, the allegations leveled against the Governor are false. As Governor, Davis has vetoed almost \$9 BILLION in spending. California, along with 37 other states, is facing a budget deficit due to the bad national economy. The Bush Administration has announced the federal deficit this year will be the biggest in history, \$304 BILLION.

In these difficult and dangerous times, LET'S WORK TOGETHER, not be diverted by partisan mischief.



PROPONENT'S RECALL ARGUMENT

Gray Davis is a FAILED governor. He should be recalled.

FACT: Gray Davis MISLED the people of California about his spending spree of taxpayer's money. He turned our surplus into a record deficit. He told us one thing while doing another. He ran up a debt of \$1,100 for every man, woman and child in California. Despite this serious situation, Gray Davis still refuses to address our budget crisis. After he signed yet another overblown budget, California's credit rating was lowered again, costing another \$40 million per year.

FACT: California is in deep trouble, yet Gray Davis has no plan to remove us from the brink of bankruptcy. Even now, he still refuses to take responsibility. Gray Davis made a lot of promises, but delivered little for anyone except the special interest groups, the trial lawyers and the labor union bosses who already have too much power.

FACT: Davis TRIPLED THE CAR TAX! After promising to veto any Car Tax increase, he directed his staff to trigger the increase, which will cost the average family \$460 every year. No vote, no accountability, no responsibility. Davis just decided he wanted to tax you and ordered his staff to collect.

Recalling a governor is a serious matter; but so is accountability.

FACT: Over 296,000 good paying jobs have left California...and more are leaving every day. Over one million Californians can't find work, while neighboring states are happily providing jobs for people leaving California. You can't have employEES without employERS, yet Gray Davis is doing nothing to address the Workers Compensation Crisis he created that threatens all jobs in California.

FACT: Our schools, once among the best in America, are now among the worst. Gray Davis looked us straight in the eye and promised California a "world-class" education system. Instead, our schools are in crisis and our teachers are suffering due to the slashing of our investment in education. Our kids deserve better.

FACT: While our roads are crumbling and traffic is getting worse every day, Davis has diverted billions of our highway dollars to pay for his overspending.

FACT: Californians continue to pay the highest electricity rates in the nation due to Davis' failure to respond to the energy crisis.

FACT: Gray Davis refuses to take responsibility. He maintains the budget deficit is not his problem; other states have deficits, too. But, California's deficit is more than the other 49 states combined. Now Davis wants to blame the deficit on the \$2 per person cost of the recall.

FACT: Something has to change. This recall is about FACTS that prove Gray Davis has failed. We cannot continue down the path of higher taxes, job losses, and wasteful government spending. We must hold politicians like Gray Davis accountable.

Over 2,100,000 people have spoken by signing the recall petitions that made this election possible. They can't all be wrong.

Vote YES! RECALL Gray Davis.

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GOVERNOR'S RECALL ARGUMENT

It has been my honor to serve my state and country for many years, as an Army Captain in Vietnam, State Controller, Lieutenant Governor and now as Governor.

California voters are fair-minded. I trust them. I believe they will do the right thing on October 7.

Here are the reasons I ask voters to oppose the recall:

Cost to Taxpayers. This recall effort, funded by conservative Republicans, will cost taxpayers approximately \$66 million for a Special Election. That money would be better spent on education, health care, and public safety.

Uncertainty. Because there are so many candidates on the ballot, *the next governor could be elected with less than 15% of the vote!* And voters won't know who the replacement would be when they vote on the recall.

Inexperience. The person selected with such a small percentage of the vote could be inexperienced and out of step with Californians. He or she would take office within days, and have little time to assemble a team.

A Right-Wing Conservative Agenda. The recall was financed by right-wing Republicans who want to replace our progressive agenda with their

conservative agenda. During the recent budget fight in Sacramento, the Republicans tried delaying kindergarten for 100,000 children, taking away health coverage for 400,000 children, and limiting access to higher education by stripping \$600 million from the higher education budget.

No Solution. A national recession has created deficits in California and 46 other states. But the Republicans behind this recall are trying to blame one person for all of California's problems. While you might not agree with everything I have done, this costly recall won't make things better—and could make things worse.

Issues You Care About. I strongly support a woman's right to choose and protecting our environment. I am working hard to improve our schools and to support public safety. This recall could result in a right-wing conservative governor whose agenda is not supported by most Californians.

For the sake of California, vote NO on the recall.

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CANDIDATES TO SUCCEED GRAY DAVIS AS GOVERNOR IF HE IS RECALLED

Voters adopted Proposition 34 at the November 7, 2000, General Election. Under this law, any candidate for governor who accepted the voluntary expenditure limit of \$10,624,000, had an opportunity to purchase a statement, not to exceed 250 words, in the California Voter Information Guide.

In the following list of candidates, those who have accepted the voluntary spending limits are designated by an asterisk (*) beside their names.

Candidate Name	Party	Candidate Name	Party
Iris Adam	Natural Law	*Jack Loyd Grisham	Independent
*Brooke Adams	Independent	*Garrett Gruener	Democratic
*Alex-St. James	Republican	*Joe Guzzardi	Democratic
*Douglas Anderson	Republican	*Ivan A. Hall	Green
*Angelyne	Independent	*Ken Hamidi	Libertarian
Mohammad Arif	Independent	*Sara Ann Hanlon	Independent
*Badi Badiozamani	Independent	*C. Stephen Henderson	Independent
*Vik S. Bajwa	Democratic	*Ralph A. Hernandez	Democratic
*John W. Beard	Republican	*John J. "Jack" Hickey	Libertarian
*Ed Beyer	Republican	*Jim Hoffmann	Republican
*Vip Bhola	Republican	*Arianna Huffington	Independent
*Cheryl Bly-Chester	Republican	*S. Issa	Republican
*Audie Bock	Democratic	*Michael Jackson	Republican
*Joel Britton	Independent	*Trek Thunder Kelly	Independent
*Art Brown	Democratic	*Edward "Ed" Kennedy	Democratic
*John Christopher Burton	Independent	*D.E. Kessinger	Democratic
*Cruz M. Bustamante	Democratic	Kelly P. Kimball	Democratic
*Peter Miguel Camejo	Green	*Stephen L. Knapp	Republican
*Todd Carson	Republican	*Eric Korevaar	Democratic
*William "Bill" S. Chambers	Republican	*Jerry Kunzman	Independent
*Michael Cheli	Independent	*Dick Lane	Democratic
*D. (Logan Darrow) Clements	Republican	Gary Leonard	Democratic
*Gary Coleman	Independent	Todd Richard Lewis	Independent
Mary "Mary Carey" Cook	Independent	*Calvin Y. Louie	Democratic
*Robert Cullenbine	Democratic	*Frank A. Macaluso, Jr.	Democratic
*Scott Davis	Independent	*Paul "Chip" Mailander	Democratic
Robert "Butch" Dole	Republican	*Robert C. Mannheim	Democratic
*Bob Lynn Edwards	Democratic	*Bruce Margolin	Democratic
*Warren Farrell	Democratic	*Paul Mariano	Democratic
*Dan Feinstein	Democratic	Gino Martorana	Republican
*Larry Flynt	Democratic	*Mike P. McCarthy	Independent
*Lorraine (Abner Zurd) Fontanes	Democratic	*Bob McClain	Independent
*Gene Forte	Republican	Tom McClintock	Republican
*Diana Foss	Democratic	*Dennis Duggan McMahon	Republican
Ronald J. Friedman	Independent	*Mike McNeilly	Republican
Leo Gallagher	Independent	Scott A. Mednick	Democratic
*Gerold Lee Gorman	Democratic	*Carl A. Mehr	Republican
*Rich Gosse	Republican	*Jonathan Miller	Democratic
*James H. Green	Democratic	Darryl L. Mobley	Independent

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*Jeffrey L. Mock	Republican
*John "Jack" Mortensen	Democratic
*Dorene Musilli	Republican
Paul Nave	Democratic
*Robert C. Newman II	Republican
*Leonard Padilla	Independent
*Ronald Jason Palmieri	Democratic
Gregory J. Pawlik	Republican
*Heather Peters	Republican
*Charles "Chuck" Pineda Jr.	Democratic
*Bill Prady	Democratic
*Darin Price	Natural Law
*Bryan Quinn	Republican
*Jeff Rainforth	Independent
*Daniel C. "Danny" Ramirez	Democratic
*Christopher Ranken	Democratic
Reva Renee Renz	Republican
*Daniel W. Richards	Republican
*Kevin Richter	Republican
*Kurt E. "Tachikaze" Rightmyer	Independent
*David Laughing Horse Robinson	Democratic
*Ned Roscoe	Libertarian
*Sharon Rushford	Independent
*Georgy Russell	Democratic
*Jamie Rosemary Safford	Republican
*David Ronald Sams	Republican
*Darrin H. Scheidle	Democratic
*Mike Schmier	Democratic
*George B. Schwartzman	Independent

Candidate Name	Party
Arnold Schwarzenegger	Republican
*Richard J. Simmons	Independent
Bill Simon	Republican
*B.E. Smith	Independent
*Randall D. Sprague	Republican
*Christopher Sproul	Democratic
*Lawrence Steven Strauss	Democratic
*Tim Sylvester	Democratic
*A. Lavar Taylor	Democratic
*Diane Beall Templin	American Independent
*Patricia G. Tilley	Independent
*Brian Tracy	Independent
William Tsangares	Republican
*Peter V. Ueberroth	Republican
*Marc Valdez	Democratic
*James M. Vandeventer, Jr.	Republican
*Paul W. Vann	Republican
*Bill Vaughn	Democratic
*Van Vo	Republican
*Chuck Walker	Republican
*Maurice Walker	Green
*Nathan Whitecloud Walton	Independent
*Daniel Watts	Green
*C.T. Weber	Peace and Freedom
*Jim Weir	Democratic
*Lingel H. Winters	Democratic
*Michael J. Wozniak	Democratic
*Jon W. Zellhoefer	Republican



GOVERNOR

- As the state's chief executive officer, oversees most state departments and agencies and appoints judges.
- Proposes new laws and approves or vetoes legislation.
- Prepares and submits the annual state budget.
- Mobilizes and directs state resources during emergencies.

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Lead, follow or get out of the way. The older generation, responsible for proper stewardship of California, has shown no leadership and no follow-through. It's time to let my generation take charge. I'm 25, independent, a business executive with courage to fix what's wrong with California. Taking bold action, I'll rollback car taxes, fix worker's compensation, encourage business investment, reduce spending and set our state on the right course. My administration will champion individual freedom, personal responsibility and smaller government. It's time to let a new generation of leaders control our destiny. I will work hard to make California great again.

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Once an Aspirant Catholic Priest, I support life from conception to the grave and the right to bear arms. As a former staff of Governors George Deukmejian and Pete Wilson, now a public policy supporter of President Bush, advocate with the White House and Congress for working families, where I offer support, and my advice, I believe the answer to our California's problems is we are over taxed. Today, many so-called services fees are simply taxes, just renamed. Higher taxes have proven to never bring prosperity. What we need is to lessen the tax burden on Californians. I pledge never to raise your taxes. As your governor, the first thing I'll do is Repeal the triple car tax retroactively, to put some money into consumers' pockets to spend and help stimulate our economy. Second, we need tax breaks for all levels of working families of California. I will call for reduction of California's 18¢ gas tax, cigarette, spirits, table wine and beer taxes; I will also begin work to immediately lessen first line responders and teachers' taxes and make California second to none, tax friendliest to retirees. I intend to change our unfriendly business climate and restore the friendliest business environment of any state and institute a Free Enterprise Development Initiative with Asia, Latin America, and Africa to boost trade and boost exports of "Made In California" goods and services to create jobs. Can I count on your support? Thank you.

Douglas Anderson
Republican Party

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As Governor, I will address the majority of California's issues and opportunities in the next three years by focusing on eliminating the budget deficit by restraints on spending, reducing benefits to illegal immigrants and controlling the ever increasing cost of Worker's Compensation due to administrative waste and fraud. Furthermore, I will set the educational curriculum standards and closely monitor local control, eliminating the current "teach to test" method required for advancement. As a husband, father, grandfather, businessman and a resident of California for the past 47 years, I have seen California go from one of the most progressive states in the nation to one of the least desirable business environments. High wage employers are leaving California and are being replaced by minimum wage employers which is lowering our tax base. Our Educational system has plummeted to 47th in the nation. My goal as Governor is to reinstate California as a national leader in Business, Education and restore personal freedoms.

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I am a Candidate From the People For the People. Twenty-two years ago you welcomed my family with open arms and allowed us to fulfill the American Dream. I am now ready to commit to you as a servant of the people. I have a strong affection and deep respect for the diversity, creativity, and ambition of the citizens of this state. I believe we have the capability to overcome our recent crises and claim our stake as a model for economic success and effective, progressive policy. My aim is to create an environment where we can thrive again by eliminating the barriers to our productivity. *I will rescind Governor's harmful policies such as the 300% car tax, streamline taxes, place priority on education, stop university tuition increases, and tackle the traffic that is choking our cities.* I will use my experience as a member of the City of San Diego Small Business Advisory Board and connection to a vast network of high-tech entrepreneurs across the state to enable a more business-friendly environment and create jobs while ensuring corporate responsibility. I will give a voice to those living without health care and protect citizens against crime. I am an entrepreneur and a scholar with experience advising at the Governor level. I represent the common people and will bring unity across party lines. *I will revitalize government with a thoughtful, rational approach to planning and decision making that will allow this state to rise and shine strong as a truly Golden State.*

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Since the days of the Gold Rush of mid 1880's, its diversity of over 2 centuries, where over 148 different languages, being spoken every day, we have but one thing in common—Dream and Success. I am a recent Immigrant like you, my 3 kids are native Californians, Kamal and I thank God for being in California. I dream like Martin Luther King, for my Grand Children. Please vote for me and let us bring back the Glory of the Golden State. God Bless You and God bless California! As John F. Kennedy said, ask not what the state can do, but what you can do for the state. My Childhood Hero!!

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I am a second generation California businessman. I believe that California needs to be led not litigated. The way to turn the fiscal condition of California around is to bring business back. California's financial problems are not going to be solved by higher taxes. It will be through the creation of a friendly business environment that will keep businesses from leaving the state. I am totally committed to making California work. I am raising my family and growing my business here. California has both a wonderful climate and a broad cultural base, which makes it one of the best places on earth to live and work. *johnbeard4gov.com*

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I love California. Born and raised in the best State in the union, California is and always will be my home. My life has been surrounded by a loving family and many supportive friends. I am married with two children and live in Orange County. During my career I have managed profitable business enterprise with one eye on the bottom line and the other looking toward the future. Managing a budget, expanding payroll, seeking better employee health benefits and increasing sales are the keys to a successful business. As the Chief Operations Officer of a successful California service company in business over 20 years, I have had the unique opportunity to respond to the changing needs of employees and business dynamics in today's economy. Increasing opportunity for my employees has always been and remains the hallmark of my career. There have been no other happier moments than watching an employee learn new skills, buy a car or finance a new home. These are the rights that I feel should be available to each and every Californian. As your Governor I will apply these experiences to increase corporate investment in the State thereby reducing unemployment while protecting our schools, air and water. I seek to lower taxes by increasing the number of workers, not by increasing fees or cutting needy programs. Health care for the elderly and poor families is a necessity, not a privilege. With your vote, together we can transform California into the state of opportunity.

Vip Bhola
Republican Party

I am a husband, a father of two children, a trial attorney, and believe in Judeo-Christian principles. I am from an immigrant family, and worked my way through college and law school. I presently own my own business (law practice) and represent numerous business owners and people in the community and I understand their problems. Moreover, as an attorney, I am experienced in marshaling the top experts in their fields to resolve complicated and complex issues, both financial and otherwise. My wife and I are active volunteers in several non-profit organizations that strengthen youth, families, marriages, and teach financial responsibility. The basis for making my determinations will be: (1) what is best for California citizens and businesses; and (2) what is fiscally sound.

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California needs a time-out from politics to take care of business. I'm a pro-business, pro-environment, proven leader and small business owner of *Rosewood Environmental Engineering* who owes no political favors. Throughout my 27-year engineering career in transportation, energy and environmental fields, I've learned to hang tough and will not yield to political leverage. As an environmental expert, I can keep businesses in California by eliminating unnecessary regulatory duplication without risking public health or resources and will cut all nonessential commissions within the Governor's control. I'll repeal the new car tax for business/commuter vehicles. Credentials: BS Civil Engineering, UC Davis; MBA, American Graduate School of International Management; Certificate, Nuclear Power Reactor Safety, MIT; Registered Professional Engineer; Registered Environmental Assessor. Experience: (1976–1983) State engineering employee (CaDWR, Caltrans); (1985–1988) Consultant, electrical energy industry; (1988–2003) environmental consultant including Program Manager for hazardous waste cleanup contracts (largest with \$150,000,000 limit); President, Society of American Military Engineers, Sacramento Post (1999–2000) during Y2K readiness exercises. As a single mother of three wonderful children and classroom volunteer, I'm involved in their public education. I passed the teacher's CBEST exam and will protect education funding while holding educators accountable. My multicultural appreciation was developed through worldwide travel in 80+ countries. I'm Pro-Choice because it's not the government's business. Engineers don't lay blame, we methodically find solutions. Politics will find no foothold in my decisions as I slash State spending while maintaining homeland security, protecting the environment and improving education for Californians.

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As a State Assemblywoman I fought for better schools, a better environment and better health care for all Californians. I created the Select Committee on Low Performing Schools, established dioxin monitoring throughout California and served as the California Delegate to the World Trade Organization conference. I achieved a 100% pro-choice, pro-environment and pro-senior voting record. I've been nominated as "Legislator of the Year" by the School Board Association and the Federation of Business and Professional Women. As Governor I will tackle our high energy prices, sluggish economy and failing schools. I received my Master's Degree at Harvard. I'm a small businesswoman, published author and proud mother. I ask for your vote to create a better California for our children. My website: www.BetterCalifornia.org.

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I am a longtime trade unionist (having been a slaughterhouse worker—member of the United Food & Commercial Workers union and a refinery worker—member of the Oil, Chemical & Atomic Workers). I serve on the National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party and am its Southern California organizer. I have actively opposed U.S. military interventions against the peoples of Vietnam, Cuba, Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran, and North Korea, joining millions around the world demanding "U.S. Hands Off! Bring the GIs home now!" I have backed efforts to unite working people to fight for "Jobs for all! Cut the workweek with no cut in pay! Raise the minimum wage!"; "Stop INS raids and deportations—end 'no match' firings!"; "Fight police brutality—Abolish the death penalty!"; "Defend women's access to abortion!"; "Debt relief for working farmers! Stop foreclosures!"; "Defend affirmative action!"; "Stop Washington's economic war against Cuba! Normalize relations now!" I have opposed Democratic and Republican moves to put the economic crisis of capitalism on the backs of working people. I'm for a workers' and farmers' government, which will abolish capitalism in the U.S. and join in the worldwide struggle for socialism.

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I am a civil rights attorney in Pasadena. My 25-year practice in California has been devoted to the defense of working people victimized by police misconduct and discrimination. I am also a political activist who supports the policies of the Socialist Equality Party. My experience has made me aware of the economic and social problems confronting working people in California and the human costs of the state's budget crisis. I oppose all measures that propose to solve this crisis by placing new burdens on working people and small business owners. This crisis is caused by federal and state policies that serve the interests of multibillion-dollar corporations and the extremely wealthy. The recall campaign, which I oppose, is an attempt by right-wing forces to undermine democratic rights and accelerate the accumulation of corporate profits and the wealth of the rich. But if the recall is successful, California's working people need an alternative to the pro-big business policies of the candidates associated with the Democratic Party. To obtain the resources necessary to guarantee full employment, provide universal health coverage, expand educational services and eradicate poverty, I advocate the transformation of large corporations and banks into publicly owned and democratically controlled utilities. The diversion of resources to finance aggressive wars must be stopped. The satisfaction of human needs, not the amassing of corporate profit, must be the basis of California's economy. Voters can learn more about my program by reading the *World Socialist Web Site* (www.wsws.org).

Cruz M. Bustamante
Democratic Party

For months, I've said I oppose the recall. I still do. But if you support my work as a university Regent and Trustee to win *fair admissions policies for every student without regard to race*; If you support my work as Chairman of the State Lands Commission to *protect our coast and rivers*; If you support my work as Lieutenant Governor to win *living wages*; If you voted for the bonds I've worked to place on the ballot to rebuild California's schools and roads under Project Labor Agreements; If you supported my *lawsuit against energy price-gougers like Enron*; If you agree that every Californian should have *health insurance they can afford*; If you think I was right to increase funding for *textbooks for every student*; If you believe that hardworking, taxpaying immigrants deserve the chance to apply for citizenship and reunify their families; If you've stood with me in support of farm workers; If you support equal opportunity and oppose any kind of discrimination; If you think I was right to appoint *the first lesbian legislator* to serve as Speaker Pro Tem of the Assembly; If you support my efforts to *protect privacy* from those who would sell it for profit; If you think *a woman's right to choose ought to be a matter between her, her doctor and her God*, not her insurance company...Then I am asking you to vote "No" on the Recall and "Yes" on Bustamante. I appreciate your consideration.

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As Governor, I will stop the cutbacks in education and health care. I will balance the budget by establishing a *fair tax* structure, and ending government waste. Over the last five years California needed \$270 billion from State revenue sources to maintain a balanced budget. California received \$305 billion, enough for a huge surplus. Instead we ended with a massive deficit caused by incompetence, waste and corruption. Clinics, schools and programs for the handicapped, elderly, and children are being closed. These facilities were open six years ago when State revenues were only \$48 billion dollars. Today at \$63 billion in revenues we are shutting down services. Our taxes are unfair. Corporations used to pay 14% of California's income, now they pay 7% and minimal property taxes. The poorest 20% in California pay 11.3% of their income in state and local taxes while the richest 5% pay only 7.6%. California is 20th and 33rd for tax rates and property taxes. *If the rich paid the same rate as the poor and we closed tax loopholes, there would be no deficit.* I stand for: renewable energy, single payer universal health care, pro-choice, saving our ancient forests, legal marriage and drivers licenses for all, a living wage, affordable housing, instant run off elections (IRV), the UN Charter, the World Court and our Bill of Rights. I stand against: the death penalty, three strikes, racial profiling, the Patriot Act, wars of conquest, nuclear weapons and the racist Proposition 54. Vote Green!

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I want to win the trust, voice, and election of *the people*, to be California's next Governor. See my website: billchambersforgovernor.com.

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As Governor, I will work hard to make a positive difference in people's lives. I support constitutional principles of life, liberty and property; and America's traditional moral values. As a nonpartisan, I'll cross all party lines in order to procure the best solutions for the challenges facing California. My first task as Governor will be to reduce my own salary by 10%. I will hold town hall meetings to address the real concerns of California citizens. No new taxes or more government programs. We need to cut California's wasteful spending, upgrade our credit rating, and restore fiscal accountability. I'll work to improve California's schools, and will hold schools accountable for how they spend our tax dollars. Let's provide children instruction in the basics, as well as trade and technology courses. I'm for 100% of the California Lotto proceeds going to the schools, and bringing back arts, sports, and electives. I'll work to improve health care and protect Social Security and Medicare. I will work closely with police, sheriffs, and firefighters to protect local communities. Freedom is not free, and I'm proud to support our troops. I will support President Bush in the war on terrorism, while working to safeguard the Bill of Rights. I'll defend our environment while respecting the rights of the people to use and enjoy it. I think we ought to fuel the entrepreneurial spirit in California and promote small businesses, job growth and innovation. I'd be honored to serve California's citizens. I would appreciate your consideration.

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Atlas Shrugged, America's second most influential book, was written by an immigrant to California who predicted our current mess and offered an inspiring solution. Ayn Rand knew that big government ruins all it touches while freedom leads to incredible prosperity. I know, as did she, that the economy will roar to life if we liberate it from excessive taxation and abusive regulation. See the work of freedom in grocery stores filled with food, hospitals filled with lifesaving technology, and a computer industry filled with innovation. See the work of big government in power blackouts, failing schools and traffic jams. The more important the task the more reason it should be handled by resourceful companies motivated by profit, not bumbling politicians motivated by power. California needs a businessperson for Governor who clearly sees the path to prosperity and has the willpower to lead us out of this mess. I launched a national business magazine called *American Venture* which I later sold to develop a revolutionary TV show called FreeNation. I have a master's degree in business and a bachelor's degree in economics. I'm a long-shot candidate but like the horse Seabiscuit sometimes the long-shot can win. Watch me in action at www.FreeNation.TV. You can vote for a "big" candidate for small change or a "small" candidate for big change. Vote for big change, vote for better ideas over fame and money, vote Clements for Governor.

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I am a longtime opponent of radical right wing attempts to take over this state and country. Learn more at www.bobcan.com.

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I am running for Governor because I do not want an ultra-conservative person to be elected. The recall ballot has two parts. I am not voting to recall the Governor. I urge you to vote for me regardless of your political party affiliation. I am a native Californian. I am 42 years old. I have a wife, Connie age 34, sons: Christopher age 7, Alexander age 6 months and Brett age 15 (stepson). I have been a registered Democrat since age 19. I graduated at age 22 from San Francisco State University with a bachelor's degree in Political Science. I graduated from San Francisco Law School in 1991. I was admitted to practice law in 1991. I have never run for any government office nor accepted any donations from any special interest groups. I consider myself a moderate Democrat. I have views on issues which you need to know. Taxes—I will not sign legislation to increase taxes. This includes an increase in vehicle registration fees. Education—I support the constitutional spending guidelines as set forth in Proposition 98. Personal—I am Pro-Choice, Woman's Right to Choose, for Gay Rights. I am Against Handguns except for law enforcement purposes. I am Pro Death Penalty. Once elected, I will work with everyone in our State Legislature. In order to properly govern, I will respect the opinion of others. I will represent all Californians not just Democrats.

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My recent research has uncovered why children raised by single dads do better than children raised by single moms; why *men* now earn *less* money than women for the same work; why our sons now do worse in school than our daughters... These findings, evolving from thirty years of research in my books, including *Father and Child Reunion* and *Why Men Are The Way They Are* (www.warrenfarrell.com), are deemed too politically incorrect for mainstream candidates to discuss. Thus the policy implications are ignored. My M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science (UCLA; NYU), allow me to link this research to budgetary solutions for California, including ways to save billions of dollars on prisons and child protection with: equal father and mother involvement; universal prenatal care; more male teachers; boy-friendly schools; a men's birth control pill; communication skills; female empowerment rather than victim power. Listening to both sexes led me to three years on the Board of the National Organization for Women in New York City; to expert witness work to keep children of divorce with both parents; and to my addressing both Governor Wilson's Conferences on Fathers, and his Conference on Women. *The Financial Times* chose me as one of the world's top 100 "Thought Leaders." I've consulted with many Fortune 500 companies, NASA, the US Departments of Energy, Education and HUD, been an assistant to the president of NYU, and run my own business for a quarter century. www.warrenfarrell.com

Dan Feinstein
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It's time for a regular working Californian with common sense ideas. We don't need a millionaire, career politician or movie star to run things. If you visit my website, you'll see specific solutions to the state's problems. www.feinstein4gov.com

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I am running for Governor because California is in crisis and needs the kind of strong leadership and sophisticated business sense that I can provide to help restore it. California is big business. I have been a businessman for 35 years. I can do a better job at balancing the budget than those pinhead bureaucrats in Sacramento. I have a simple idea of how to eliminate the deficit without increasing anyone's taxes or cutting funding for any programs—and that is to expand California gaming to include slot machines for all private clubs. State revenue from this would easily enable lawmakers to balance the state budget. My goal is to revive our schools, create secure jobs, lower our water and gasoline bills, as well as our rising insurance costs; and I will fight to create a decent health care system that all Californians can afford. California is the most progressive state in the union and I'm sure its citizens would welcome having a smut peddler who cares as their Governor. I am a staunch civil libertarian; I have fought for most of my adult life to expand the perimeters of Free Speech, even taking a bullet for the First Amendment. People who know me know that my primary concern is basic personal freedoms for all of us—and I will be diligent in securing those freedoms for all Californians.

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With my skills as a filmmaker and arts administrator, I will work to return common sense to California government.

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I am the AttorneyBuster, president/founder of AttorneyBusters.com. I am uniquely qualified to be Governor based upon my personal experience at dealing with the issues of judicial and political corruption including my investigative reporting of other citizens' problems via radio for the last 18 months, the corruption from where all other problems for Californians arise. My successful 12 year career as a high level executive recruiter exhibits my professional ability to assess a person's capability and to select the right talent for solving the most complex problems. Precisely what a Governor should be doing to correct Californians' many problems. Judicial corruption knows no party line. I have no doubt the immediate actions I would take would have a positive effect on every Californian that has been suffering under the tyranny of a judicial system gone crazy by non accountability, and the hidden legal costs that are like a cancer upon our economy and entrepreneurial spirit that once made our country great. Raised on a small farm in Los Banos, California, where I learned common sense, I then involved myself in several entrepreneurial ventures after high school ranging from musical concert production, sports events promotion, salvaging a World War II airplane to being a New York Stock Exchange Broker in Fresno and Beverly Hills. I am married with four children to the love of my life, Eileen, of 14 years. I have a clear track record of exposing and fighting the lack of accountability by a judicial system to citizens of California.

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I'm 42 years old, single, and a well qualified leader. My education and experience is diverse, having attended a Christian High School, earning a B.S. in Engineering Physics from UC Berkeley and taking post-graduate work in pharmacology and teaching credential preparation. I've worked in broadcasting, taught in our public schools, and worked in the technology sector doing software engineering. Thus, I have the kind of real world experience that California needs to go forward in the new millennium.

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Single adults are the Rodney Dangerfields of our society. They "can't get no respect." I am the first candidate in California history to campaign on a *Fairness for Singles Platform*. Visit my website for my views on reducing crime, solving the budget crisis, and improving education.

James H. Green
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I'm a former Police Officer who now works as a Firefighter Paramedic and an Emergency Department Nurse. I have a degree in Economics and I speak Spanish and French. I've spent my adult life talking, negotiating, and solving problems with people. Being Governor is not about knowing everything, it's about doing your homework, coming prepared, surrounding yourself with the best people and doing what's right. I'm not beholden to any special interest groups so my decisions will be based on facts and the merits of an argument, not the payback demands of a lobbyist. My focus is on the next generation, not the next election. I support: Abortion rights, Campaign finance reform, Civil rights, Same sex marriage, Domestic partnership rights, Early childcare, Safe, quality schools, Help for single parents, A strong environmental policy with no additional off shore oil drilling and reduced auto emissions, Consumer protection and privacy laws, Reforming State health care agencies, Addressing the nursing shortage, Improving mental health care, Public-Private partnerships to create affordable health insurance, Reforming Prop 13's Commercial Property taxation rules, Being more business friendly, Revamping Workmans Compensation, Reducing job flight out of state, Holding down costs while we repair the State budget. Additional information: jamesgreengovernor.com.

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My objective is to guide, protect, to help where needed and to respect the citizens of California. grishamforgovernor.com

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The Golden State is in an economic tailspin. Hundreds of thousands of jobs have been lost, and we're swimming in debt. The economic prosperity of a few years ago is gone—wrecked by the national recession, worsened by special interest politicians who don't know a thing about creating jobs or balancing budgets. I'm an innovator and an entrepreneur. I've helped create thousands of jobs, helped balance multi-million dollar private sector budgets, and poured nearly a billion dollars back into our economy. I'm the only candidate with the job creating experience to get the economy moving, create good paying jobs, give our children a world class education, guard against offshore drilling and make health care universally affordable. Restoring the California Dream means creating jobs. Here's how I'll do it: Spur investment in world class technology and computer based curriculum in our schools. "Green technology" to reduce energy consumption and create a new industry for California. Biotechnology investment to cure disease and create high paying jobs. I call it the Action Plan to Restore the California Dream. For details visit: www.GruenerforGovernor.com. I'm a product of the California Dream. I attended public schools and earned degrees from UC San Diego and UC Berkeley. Thanks to public investment in the Internet, I created jobs and started successful companies like Ask Jeeves. Today the California Dream is in danger. I'm running for Governor because together we can get our economy moving and Restore the California Dream for all.

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I advocate resolving budget deficit by rebuilding the employment market in California and discouraging outsourcing U.S. jobs and technologies. I will specially work to end the invisible government structure of special interest. My job will be to represent people of California! www.governorken.org

Sara Ann Hanlon
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As a former Mayor of the City of Signal Hill, California, a graduate of U.C.L.A., an alumna of Harvard University's J.F. Kennedy School of Government, and a businesswoman, I believe the Major Parties don't represent the will of the people. I ask for your vote.

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I am a teacher who believes California's governmental system, designed in the 19th century, is inadequate and our taxes must be used more efficiently. I will implement the reforms recommended by the 1996 California Constitution Revision Commission.

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Vote *Ralph Hernandez*, for Governor! Experienced, Tax Fighter, problem solver, honest, dependable, and highly qualified! The State must live within its means! We have to! So much money misspent. I oppose tax increases. Political back room deals, questionable decisions, and more. As Voters, we have the right to take back our State! *My qualifications include*—BA Criminal Justice; 47 years political experience; Executive experience in budgeting, contracts, policy making, decisions, leadership, and Governing; I stand up for people and what's right; former Council Member; experienced veteran Peace Officer, 33 years; Citizens For Democracy, Chair; adopted puppy and kitten into our family; 5 children, many grandchildren; Homeowner; Martial Artist; Californian 51 years; down to earth; Spanish Speaking; have common sense. Jobs, businesses, and industry have been forced out by high energy costs, excessive taxes, congestion on highways, and unfriendly practices. I'll work to bring them back, and keep existing ones here! The public is suffering from over taxation, crowded schools, strained public services, pollution, poor water quality, and more. Greed also has caused many of our problems. *I also support*—accountability; no Tax increases; flat Income Tax; reduced Licensing fees; Financial Privacy; roads and transportation improvements; Equal Rights and Protections; Equal Employment Opportunities; Proposition 13 protections; Public Safety; environmental protections and conservation; alternative renewable energy; Senior Citizens' protections; Budget reorganization; strong Law Enforcement; and prosecuting Welfare Fraud. As your Governor, I'll bring this State back to prosperity! Employ Californians, and buy California goods! Vote *Ralph Hernandez*, for Governor! Thank you.

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I am running for Governor to break the hold that special interests have on Sacramento. To give the voters of California an independent, progressive leader. My opinions are not for sale, and my support will not be on the auction block. I am also running because I believe that the only way things are going to change is if We the People become outraged—and mobilized to remake our democracy. Our failed political system has left California deeply in debt. Corporate fat cats get away with paying less than their fair share of taxes. We have crumbling schools but pricey new prisons. Our natural resources are for sale to the highest bidder. I have spent my life as a journalist, author and social activist writing and speaking out on these kinds of issues. Now I am taking on the role of citizen politician to tackle them head on. After all, our founding fathers weren't professional politicians. The time has come to take back our government. To make sure that it works for all Californians, not just those who can afford to buy a politician. I will put the needs of the people over the demands of the big-money elites. This is not a question of right or left; it's a question of right or wrong. Please join me in this effort. Together we can end the corruption in Sacramento. Together we can win!

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The people of California need to get more involved in setting the course of California! I am a husband and a father of two children, not a career politician. I will work for the people of California not special interest groups. I can make a difference! I grew up in California, served in the Navy for 10 years, graduated from UCLA summa cum laude with a degree in electrical engineering. The last several years I have been very concerned with California policies and economics. I currently work as a Satellite Payload Project Manager. Drawing on my experience in project management, quality assurance, and working in a multicultural environment, I intend to deal with the budget deficit by cutting government waste and growth, repealing laws and cutting red tape that are driving businesses and jobs out of California. Illegal immigration and insurance fraud also have a huge impact on our economy. The workers compensation program needs reform to reduce fraudulent claims which are increasing costs and driving businesses out of business. Tort reform will limit damages so doctors can afford insurance and reduce health care costs. California schools need to provide quality education. Cutting the bureaucracy by getting funding directly to the schools, then the administrations must justify their spending and budget to the schools. Schools and emergency services should have priority in funding; not the first programs cut. I want all of our children to grow up proud to be Californians!

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Dear Voters, Please vote for me, thus breaking the Seventh Seal and incurring Armageddon. I will legalize drugs, gambling, and prostitution so they may be taxed and regulated, the funds derived would subsidize the deficit, education, and the environment. I believe in peaceful resolutions backed by a strong military; I don't care who you marry or have sex with.

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I am Ed Kennedy, a new kind of Democrat. I am not a professional politician. I have two plus decades of business experience identifying and solving business problems throughout California. I am ethical and an experienced leader. As Governor, I can and will change the personality of politics so that California is once again the best place on earth to live.
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I believe in common sense government and fiscal responsibility. Thanks to all my supporters.

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I am running for governor so that I can help spread the message to Vote No on the recall. This recall election is bad for California and dangerous for our democratic system of government. Should the recall effort succeed by some unfortunate circumstance, I am qualified to serve as governor based on my background, my intelligence, my proven ability to work well with others, and my ability to innovate. I am a scientist, inventor, businessman and lifelong democrat. I am currently president of *The Science Artist*, providing high technology consulting services. I am a proud husband, proud father and proud Californian. I am a public high school graduate (La Jolla High 1977 Valedictorian), a Caltech graduate (B.S. Physics 1981) and an Engineering Ph.D. (Princeton University 1987). As a successful California entrepreneur, I founded *AstroTerra Corporation* in 1992, helped establish it as a leader in Optical Wireless Communications, and sold it to *MRV Communications* in 2000. I advocate a long-term vision to keep California at the forefront of technological innovation. This will create high paying, environmentally clean technology jobs. A high paying job base will enable California to provide high quality services, such as maintaining the best public University system in the nation, without new taxes. I advocate initiatives to stimulate business investment, such as providing high bandwidth communications to every home and business in California. I advocate reducing electricity price volatility by incorporating photovoltaic (solar) energy systems in 50% of new homes. First Vote NoOnRecall.com. Then VoteForEric.com.

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Vote against the recall and then vote for me. The bitter nature of this election means California needs a governor who can work across party lines and rally people to his vision of our future. I see a state that prioritizes its limited resources, a state that plans for excellence in its schools and universities. As a faculty member of the California State University system for the past 17 years, I have experienced many of the problems facing parents, students, teachers and staff. I see a state that provides a *basic level of medical care* for all, as do Hawaii and Oregon. I see a budget with no new taxes, achieved by cutting waste and consolidating agencies like the State Teachers' Retirement System and the Public Employees' Retirement System. I see a state that values and rewards entrepreneurship, and a state that respects the right of people to decide their own lifestyles and relationships. I see a state with a time lapse between recall and replacement elections. I see a state, like Arizona and Maine, with *publicly financed campaigns*. I know about elections because, in 1996 and again in 1998, I won the Democratic Party nomination for US Congress in Silicon Valley. As a fiscal conservative and social liberal, I enjoy the support of many Republicans, Greens and Independents. This is why I can work with all members of the state legislature to move on these important issues.

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My name is Calvin Louie. I am a native Californian with a Certified Public Accountant degree from the University of California, Berkeley and a successful 25-year track record in business and public service. *I want to be your governor because I have fresh ideas, new solutions and accountability to bring back our economy to financial health, create more jobs, improve education and provide opportunities for all Californians.* The current governor is not doing a good job. He doesn't work with other people. His inattentiveness allowed 1.4 million voters to sign petitions demanding a recall election. Californians now carry the heaviest financial burden in history, a \$32-plus-billion deficit—one-third our annual budget! At this rate we're in debt for life! His inaction dropped our credit rating, raised interest rates and deficits. That's not taking care of business. *As your governor I'll create a healthy economy: raising revenues to save vital programs and services, kick-starting the economy by getting wealthier Californians and corporations to pre-pay their taxes, balancing the budget, restoring our credit rating, cutting costs of energy and insurance, increasing investments and creating jobs.* I have helped start or manage many businesses and audited many governmental agencies and departments. I've served on many state and local commissions, including the San Francisco Human Rights Commission. I'm more concerned about the health of our economy and the fate of our future than saving Gray Davis' job. *Help me restore California to prosperity and greatness. Vote Calvin Louie for Governor.*

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California Democrats need a financially conservative governor who will control spending and promote a business friendly environment in our state without sacrificing vital programs such as education, transportation and health care. As a medical doctor I understand the problems with our state's health care system and can provide workable solutions. My background also includes a degree in Chemical Engineering along with work and business experience in the oil and gas industry. This gives me a firm comprehension of energy policy from production and distribution to consumption and *conservation*. A small business owner myself, I understand and have experienced first hand the problems faced by business owners including skyrocketing health insurance and workers compensation costs. We need a *complete overhaul* of the state's workers compensation program ASAP. As a Democrat, I am proud to represent the socially and environmentally *progressive* platform of our party and will work tirelessly to improve the quality of life and working conditions of *all* Californians. My supporters include people of all races, cultures, sex, religions and economic backgrounds. *Go California! Diversity is our strength!* Pledging not to run or campaign for re-election, I'll devote my full attention to the duties of Governor with no distractions or conflicts of interest. *Vote intelligently!* Don't waste your vote on celebrities or publicity seekers. I am a serious and qualified candidate for the office of Governor. With your support we can bring financial responsibility back to our state's government. Please vote for "Dr. Mac," Frank Macaluso, M.D. www.MACFORGOV.com

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As governor, I would be able to bring a variety of specialized skills and training to bear on the problems facing our State. In 1969 I graduated from UCLA. In 1972 I became a Certified Public Accountant. In 1974 I became a member of the State Bar of California. I believe proper management of California's vast resources can produce jobs, sustain education and meet the public needs for law enforcement and other governmental functions. I am fiscally realistic and openly responsive to all sides of public issues. We need to work together regardless of party affiliation for a better California.

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We must end the intolerable waste of tax dollars on the unjust drug war and the escalating prison population, thereby preserving personal liberties and human rights. We should teach basic criminal penalties and yoga in our schools. I've been the Director of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (N.O.R.M.L.) Chapter since 1973 and was Criminal Defense Attorney of the Year 1999. I was formerly elected to the Democratic State Central Committee. Contact Bruce at bmargolin@aol.com or call (800) 420-LAWS.

Paul Mariano
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Vote Twice for Democracy. Don't let money and special interests steal the governor's mansion. A vote for me is a vote against the recall process and a vote for democratic principles. Under our outdated recall process, Governor Davis may be denied his legitimately earned role, even if voters prefer him to some fringe candidate. Such a result is hypocrisy, not democracy. Governor Davis may be unpopular, but he is the lawfully elected leader of our state. I am the only candidate who will appoint Davis as Chief of Staff in charge of the day-to-day governance of California, the job he was duly elected to do. If you oppose the recall process, if you believe in the democratic principle of full and fair elections—then vote for me.

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I am a third generation Californian. Twenty-five years ago I started the first of several successful automotive businesses. Today, my used car dealership, McCarthy Wholesale, is thriving in an industry which for many has negative connotations (not unlike our elected officials!). I am changing these negative perceptions through honesty, integrity and hard work. I believe that my leadership can do the same in government. I expect that our state's finances be similar to an efficient business which is responsible to its customers. As governor I will be responsible to my state's customers, *the people*. I have enormous respect for middle-class working families and small businesses. As a family man and a small business owner I am committed to faith and family, including the values that have been the foundation in building this great state. Thank you for your time and I appreciate your consideration for the position of Governor.

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Hello California! I want to be your next Governor. Weary of partisan bickering that deadlocks our State, I am running as a nonpartisan Independent. Being Independent, I will arrive in Sacramento untainted, owing no political favors and able to work with all parties. Considering our pressing budget crises, my platform is long-term fiscal responsibility. To achieve financial stability, my decisions may not be popular, but they will be prudent. As a token of my commitment to resolve our financial crisis, I will forfeit the Governor's salary. As a political moderate, I support protecting consumer interests; consumer privacy; a woman's right to choose; environmental safeguards; free markets that foster efficient uses of capital, economic growth and job creation; school choice; some form of weapons regulation; and equality for all regardless of creed, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation. However, without an adequate budget, all of these are harder to achieve. A lifelong California resident, I hold undergraduate and graduate degrees in Civil Engineering from UC Berkeley, and an MBA from UCLA. I am a licensed Professional Engineer, Real Estate Agent, hold the Chartered Financial Analyst designation, and was an Eagle Scout. I have worked in the fields of engineering, construction and finance. Tell your friends, spread the word, send your vote my way. There are no throw away votes this election. I may be unknown now, but with your help I can win in October. Bob McClain for Governor. www.bobmcclain.com

Mike McNeilly
Republican Party

This state, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it. Whenever they shall grow weary of the existing government, they can exercise their *constitutional right* of amending it, or exercise their *revolutionary right* to overthrow it. Thomas Jefferson's words validate this *recall election* as a right of the people. I am not a Politician and I'm not a Superstar. I am one of the many who believe in this revolution... a revolution to take back the power for the people.

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Born 1933. Raised in Nazi occupied Denmark. Korean war veteran. MS degree, Electrical Engineering, 1965, University of Santa Clara. Married 48 years. Real estate and stock investor. I seek office to return power to the people. My steps in office will be: To ensure elected state officers, including governor, may be recalled only for malfeasance. This recall is the joke of the nation. To encourage democracy in this state by moving redistricting from the Legislature to an independent commission. Why put up with ideologues of both parties whose main concern is to protect their incumbency? Budgets must be passed on time. To improve governance in the State with structural changes to tax revenues and expenditures. To return more funding control to the counties and cities of the state. Why let Sacramento take our local property taxes and then return them encumbered with bureaucratic controls? To encourage the business climate by reducing workman's compensation insurance costs, regulatory controls and frivolous lawsuits. In particular, I propose that losers in lawsuits generally pay attorney fees and court costs. To improve the regulation of Indian gaming, (revenues nearly 40% of Nevada gaming), that produces no funds for the State, and is not subject to environmental regulations or State statutes governing employment. To vigorously seek a solution to the loss of Colorado River water, especially important to San Diego. Vote for Carl Mehr. Vote against political polarization in California. See www.mehrforgovernor.com.

Jonathan Miller
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I am founder and President of a Silicon Valley computer company. I started my company at 26 and have grown it into a profitable and innovative leader with global sales. My company creates jobs when others are laying off. I understand that small businesses and exports are the keys to California's economic success, and I will ensure that California remains a desirable place for business. The son of immigrants, I understand the hope that America means to people around the world who dream of a better life. I welcome the hard-working newcomers who choose to join us and contribute in our journey. My parents sent me to MIT because they knew the most valuable gift they could give me was a good education. I believe an educated mind can accomplish anything. Education is my number one priority for California, because it will give our young citizens the tools they need to build a better future for us all. I believe what happens in California affects all America and the world. We are the torch bearers for innovation and social progress, and we must lead the way with pride, honor, and vision. Under my watch California will develop long-term plans to maintain our leadership in technology, agriculture, renewable energy, urban planning, social progress, environmental protection, and quality of life. www.millerforcalifornia.com, (510) 456-7890.

Jeffrey L. Mock
Republican Party

All the things important to California—good schools and housing, modern efficient transportation, safe neighborhoods, environmental respect—depend on prosperity for people and companies who pay the taxes to sustain our infrastructure. That prosperity depends on a healthy economy that provides good-paying jobs to hardworking and industrious Californians. Nothing is more important to that healthy economy than a thriving manufacturing sector, companies offering the kind of jobs that enable working people to pay taxes, afford housing and provide for their families. As Governor, I will make protecting that economic infrastructure our number one priority. I will assist California manufacturers who find their products squeezed out of the domestic marketplace by goods produced in countries that don't pay our wage rates and don't make costly environmental protection and worker safety a priority. I will initiate a major overhaul of workers compensation that returns it to the no-fault insurance system it was designed to be, with competitive policy rates and where injured workers are fairly and promptly compensated and cared for. The root of our current budget crisis is our state's dysfunctional energy policy. I will initiate reforms that encourage distributed generation utilizing renewable and ultraclean technologies like solar, wind, geothermal, and fuel cells to reduce our massive dependence on fossil fuels. Finally, I will strive to infuse between the state's regulatory bureaucracy and the manufacturing companies that are the bedrock of our state's prosperity, an attitude of cooperation and partnership to promote progress on worker safety and environmental protection.

John “Jack” Mortensen

Democratic Party

I am a self-employed, California State Contractor. I am a Native Californian with a concern for the well being of California. My nomination was enacted of, for and by the people of California and my dedication and commitment is to them specifically. In order for change to occur, something different has to happen and I am attempting to be part of that difference.

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Dorene Musilli. Family, Education, Business. *Bring it on California!* I am a 3rd generation Californian and a successful *non-politician* active in business, education, community and family life. My concerns are the concerns of Californians. *Bring on the California budget!* My fiscal successes are varied: balanced budgets for household checkbooks, multi-million dollar businesses and public agencies. As owner and manager of businesses employing hundreds of Californians, I have met the challenges and reaped the benefits of operating businesses in California. I know the importance of favorable conditions to attract and keep business in our state. *Bring on the California educational system!* I care about the education of our youth—our future. As a school board member of 21 years at county and local level, I know California’s diversity is an asset, not a liability. I am passionate about ensuring student success, requiring educators to be qualified and offering merit raises for teachers. When I entered grammar school, English was my 2nd language. I have lived bilingual education. *Bring it on California!* I am a good choice for the people of California.

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The reason for this historical recall is to make members of government accountable to and honest with the people. I am qualified to be governor of California. As your Governor, I will be a public servant. I am a born again Christian and try to live by the principles given in God’s Word. I endeavor to speak the truth as clearly and accurate as it is known. Responsibility, reliability, and dependability are keys to my campaign. The economy of California is problematic. Spending must decrease when income decreases. The endangered species in California are the small business owners, working people, farmers, and the family. High priority must be given to teachers and education. These need commonsense protection. I have a BA (zoology/chemistry) an MA (theoretical/research psychology) both from San Diego State, and a Ph.D. from CSPP-San Diego (psychology). I have taught at the university level, the Police and Fire Academy, and published scientific articles. I am a past president of the Inland Psychological Association and have been in private practice. I own a small farm and have worked with FFA and 4-H youth. My wife and I of 42 years have two adult children, and two grandchildren. I attend a Spanish speaking church.

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California’s budget cannot be balanced on the backs of its students. Downsize government immediately. Cut payroll at the management level. California state employees must not earn more than \$60,000 per year until we get our financial house in order. Establish a legal procedure whereby we pay the state’s 38 billion dollar debt by withdrawing funds from the state’s over funded retirement system. It’s wrong to hoard funds for a privileged few while everyday Californians struggle and businesses flee California. Cut prison expenses by deporting incarcerated illegal immigrants and downsizing the out of control prison industry, one of the largest political contributors in the state. Decriminalize marijuana. Let’s stop wasting money on a futile “war on drugs” and spend this much-needed money on education. As founder and president of the Lorenzo Patino Law School, I have helped countless people achieve their dreams at a fraction of what it generally costs. As a professional bounty hunter for over 28 years, I have had to make critical and unimaginable decisions while enforcing the laws of California. As an entrepreneur, I have owned and managed businesses that have all had the same goal—providing quality yet affordable services to everyday people. As governor of California, I would carry on this tradition. California needs to provide quality yet affordable services. When I am governor, you will not spend your working days as a slave to a bureaucracy. As governor, I will work for you. Leonard Padilla, a new direction for California.

Ronald Jason Palmieri
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I am living proof of the freedom and opportunity of the greatest country in the world. Only here in America could a second generation American, from Jewish and Italian heritage, who is also a member of the gay community, seek equal rights against a barrage of fear, hatred and misconception. Notwithstanding these barriers, I have been blessed with an incredible extended family, good health, and enormous professional success. I am also the first openly gay man in America running for Governor of the great State of California. My reasons are very fundamental. In my opinion, the recall effort against the Governor is misguided. He should stay in office as duly elected and I urge all voters, regardless of party affiliation, to vote against the recall. As Bill Maher observed, "There are still a lot of Democrats with sour grapes over the last presidential election and they're not collecting petitions to replace George Bush with Bernie Mac." Let the governor finish his term! If the recall succeeds, I lend my support to those Democratic candidates who declare they oppose a Constitutional Amendment banning gay marriage, champion equal rights for all, a woman's right to choose, and hate crimes legislation. I am not looking for your vote. I want to convince you to vote intelligently and not waste your vote on those, such as me, who will never be elected. I urge you to vote for one who will foster the American dream that allowed me to be on this ballot.

Heather Peters
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As a *professional mediator* I am skilled at resolving conflict, an expertise that is desperately needed to break the partisan logjam in Sacramento. This year the delay in passing a budget cost the taxpayers over \$600 million in lost savings which could have covered the \$443 million cut from the UC and Cal State systems if a solution had been reached on time. As Governor I will hold the Legislature accountable for costly inaction. I am a pro-choice Republican with a moderate social agenda. I will bring common sense and fiscal responsibility back to state government. *Accountable, responsible, accessible—Peters4Gov.com.* (310) 899-6884

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The state budget is 25 to 35 billion dollars in the red! My main goal is to get the budget in the black-solvency. *I intend to stop building prisons (cost - 300 million dollars each) and return the money to education to build world class schools and students!* I continue to advocate: a 32 hour work week to deal with traffic congestion and employee productivity, delinquency prevention instead of costly incarceration, phonics based education, better working conditions for farm workers, building desalination plants to produce water and create new jobs for *water starved* Southern California, and work to repeal the latest vehicle registration fees. I have 37 years experience in the Executive Branch of government - Group Supervisor; Youth Counselor; Parole Agent; Assistant Supervising Parole Agent; Planner at CYA Headquarters; Treatment Team Supervisor; Designer and first Director of CYA's Gang Violence Reduction Project in Los Angeles County, Case Hearing Representative (highest civil service position - YA/YOPB); Deputy Commissioner - Board of Prison Terms; and Federal Hearing Examiner, United States Parole Commission, United States Department of Justice. Veteran, U.S. Army - Korea (60-61). I studied at Garfield High School, ELA College, Azusa Pacific University, Harvard Law School's Center for the Advancement of Criminal Justice (Fellowship), Harvard Business School (personnel administration), and also received state management training at UCLA, USC, and McGeorge School of Law. Vote for Charles "Chuck" Pineda Jr. for fiscal solvency and progress.

Bill Prady
Democratic Party

You know the wonderful world that exists in television comedies—a world where, no matter what problems arise or conflicts exist, people work together to overcome any obstacle and, maybe, learn a little something? Wouldn't you like California to be a place like that? It can be if you elect Bill Prady to be the next governor of our great state. Bill Prady is an award-winning television comedy writer and producer who will bring the skills he's learned creating sitcom episodes to Sacramento. If elected, he pledges to solve all the state's problems in twenty-two minutes and forty-four seconds with two commercial breaks and a hug at the end. After all this turmoil, isn't this just what California needs?

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It's still the economy stupid! I'm a fiscally conservative, socially liberal chemistry teacher at HSU. \$99,000,000,000.00 in taxes is enough for the programs we need *without new taxes!* Through prevention, efficiency, pro-growth fiscal policies, & elimination of programs proven not to work, we can have a State that will *attract businesses & raise our bond rating!* *The solution is always creativity!*

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Bankruptcy—use the courts to break up special interest groups & restore fiscal responsibility.

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I am not for Sale at any Price. My candidacy is endorsed by the Reform Party, founded by Ross Perot. I do not take special interest money. The Reform Party was created to balance budgets, pay down our debts, stop American jobs from being sent overseas, halt wasteful government spending, and promote campaign finance reform. Our party has preached this message for 10 years. I will put that message into action. As Governor I will: Put corporations and lobbyists on notice that California is not for sale; Attack government waste and fraud which costs the state billions; Promote IRV, and campaign finance reform; Eliminate agencies that duplicate federal or local functions; Take insurance companies out of doctor patient health care decisions; Meet with state employees to make their workplaces more productive; Require the state to “buy American”; Promote alternative energy including California’s abundant ocean power; Void outrageous energy contracts signed by the current governor. There will be no new taxes, spending programs, or pork barrel projects; The budget will be balanced on time; Corporations will pay heavily for exporting our jobs, and importing cheap labor. There is no other candidate. I am the one. People first, Interests last. I have no price. Rainforth for Governor. If 20,000 of you are fed up enough to register Reform, and 200 more will run as Reform candidates, we will replace those who have exported your jobs, squandered your money, and bankrupted the state. Your immediate response is vital. Contact information: www.jeff4gov.com, www.reformpartyofcalifornia.org, 1-877-GO-REFORM.

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I believe the family is the most *important institution* in society. The prosperity, happiness, and welfare of California are founded on the *strength and success* of our families. I ask you to elect me Governor so together we can protect and strengthen our families and our economic and social prosperity. My wife Lourdes and I have been married for 35 years. *Our family is our greatest joy.* My 37 years of experience founding and managing a business that exports American-made buses to Mexico, has thoroughly educated me in the *economic realities* necessary to *restore California’s fiscal health*. As a former Marine, I understand the need for public safety and security. We must protect the family from influences and organizations that attack it. *I will support the rights of fathers and mothers* in the education and protection of their children. *I will oppose providing taxpayers’ dollars* to organizations which harm families, including those providing abortions and birth control drugs and devices to minor girls without parents’ knowledge. I vigorously support promoting a ballot initiative, www.tell-a-parent.org, that will assure that a parent must be notified before a daughter—even as young as 13—can undergo a taxpayer-funded abortion. *I will clean up waste and extravagance in government* and oppose tax increases on necessities such as your family car. *I will oppose all that weakens and impoverishes the families of our beloved state.* I wish to serve you and the State of my birth, and I ask for your vote.

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Stop the recall! —California already faces enough challenges. Now an ugly beast has reared its head to threaten our progress: this recall election. Take a look at the myriad candidates on this ballot. Is this any way to run an election? Of course not. Collectively, we candidates have turned this election into a circus. More importantly, the recall process is a subversion of democracy: the incumbent must receive at least 50% of the votes to remain in office, while a challenger can win with far less. This is beyond reason. We must close the Pandora’s box opened by this recall, or we will face a future of uncertainty, retribution, and wasted public funds. —The U.S. has no recall provision for its chief executive; elections and impeachment have served the country very well for generations. California does not need a recall provision either. So vote No on this recall, then vote to send a message: the recall provision in our constitution threatens the prosperity of our state.

Daniel W. Richards

Republican Party

I am a 25 year resident of California. Like many of you I have found our State to be a land of great opportunity and tremendous diversity. I'm thankful for the success I've found but troubled by the shrinking window of opportunity for so many of our citizens. No Governor can serve 100% of the people to their total satisfaction. A Governor should set a moderate course. We should reduce the State Budget by 12% across the board. This will provide a balanced budget and force State government to live within their revenues—*no new taxes*. Children in California should never go hungry or suffer any form of abuse. We are a fortunate and bountiful society that must not lose sight of those who cannot help themselves. It is our obligation to protect and nurture them. I am pro-education. We cannot expect excellence in education without appropriate compensation to those who deal with our children daily. I believe in the 3 strike law. Three strikes are 3 *felony* convictions. The State cannot abandon the elderly, weak and disadvantaged. Our State health care system must provide adequate service to all of our residents. California must regain its leadership position as a business friendly State. Our anti-business policies are driving good paying jobs out of California to our neighboring States. I have been married for 30 years and have a 25-year-old daughter. I own a successful small business and would appreciate your support. God Bless America!

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I breathe.

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The name Tachikaze stands for "wind from a sword stroke." As the leading middleweight of the 2003 California State Sumo Series and a serious, well-educated, nonpartisan candidate for governor, I will attack the 800-lb. gorilla of big government from every angle and fight determinedly to restore California to a state where all citizens and legal residents can be proud to live. Say goodbye to an increasingly restricted, more expensive, poorer quality of existence... and say hello to Tachikaze—"because being governor is no party."

David Laughing Horse Robinson

Democratic Party

I, David Laughing Horse Robinson, will be a Governor that treats hard working people like first class citizens. My political background and experience involves protecting traditional family values, education, jobs and thriving communities. I have done this at the University where I work and within my California Native American tribe. I believe you start with the children, support expenditures that keep them safe and well educated while emphasizing self-confidence and learning the skills necessary to live their dreams. The entrepreneurial spirit thrives in our youth. They will create our businesses of the future. Education is the last place to cut. It improves quality of life for everyone in our communities. My first policies will address taking control of our state economy. We need to see the benefit of our vast resources here, not in Texas or some other state or country. Too much revenue is lost when corporations move their main offices elsewhere after securing lucrative rights to extract our resources. This results in a loss of corporate taxes and often puts us in the position of purchasing our own resources back at a higher price, reducing personal income and weakening our workforce and small businesses. I believe financial decisions at the state level should include both common sense and integrity, putting our communities first. I am the first California Native American to run for state office, descended from several generations elected to oversee the welfare of our tribe. I do not support the recall of Governor Davis.

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I am a grocer who, with his family, specializes in selling cigarettes to adults who make their own decisions. Customers tell me they want no new taxes, no stupid new laws, and for someone to step up to get the work of government done. What qualifies me to be your Governor is that this political base, formed first of smokers with many different political persuasions, united in the belief that we must respect the freedoms of others in order to have freedoms of our own, combined with others seeking sensible, realistic actions by a new Governor, will garner the largest number of votes. My friend's construction work is stopped because of State permits. My family's business faces another huge increase in workers compensation costs even though our safety record has improved. My neighbors cut back staff to avoid taxes and paperwork. California has become uncompetitive compared to other states. *I am optimistic*, with the calm confidence of a Christian with four aces. Government isn't like business. Good government needs consensus. I can work with Legislators and officials to decide rapidly and to do what makes sense quickly. My sense of urgency comes from having customers to serve and bills to pay. My top priority is to improve the prosperity of workers without expanding the burden of government. That is, to do the decent thing. I will hire the best and seize opportunities. I listen and learn. Government can't solve your problems—but it can earn your respect.

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In 1998 my husband had his leg amputated by the state's largest HMO instead of being tested and given medication for his condition. As a result I became actively involved in health care reform and reform of the mandatory arbitration system. I have turned our family's tragedy into the positive work of reforming California into a government and health system of which we can once again be proud. Every Californian needs quality, dependable, and honest health care. The public needs to be assured that their health care is more important than an HMO's cost savings. My goal is to bring justice into managed health care in California. I am Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary of our 21-year-old construction business. I am a member of the Kaiser Permanente Reform Committee as well as a Board Member of the Managed Care Reform Council. This has led to my being the Santa Clara County Representative for supervising Petition Circulators for The Voluntary Health Plan Arbitration Act of 2004 (see <http://CTVHPAA.com>) a statewide initiative to reform mandatory arbitration in California; too late for our family, still in time for yours. Naturally, any new governor will first need to step up to the deplorable state of the economy, as we have drifted from budget surplus to terrible budget deficit. As Governor, you can count on my experience, business principles, and fierce determination to effect change in this State. We *can* make it better for all. I look forward to being your next Governor.

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Jamie Rosemary Safford
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Education/Qualifications: California resident—23 years. 33 years experience in state and private industry; Banking, Computer, Real Estate and Public Service. CSUS graduate with Accounting, Finance, Real Estate. Successful Business Owner—18 years, Licensed Real Estate Broker. Born in poverty, fatherless at 5, raised by a single mom. Honest, hard working, accountable, with the ability to balance a budget. 21 years with my best friend, partner and husband.

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David Ronald Sams: The \$100,000,000 Man with a Plan. I am a forward-thinking Republican; born a Republican—still a Republican after 45 years. I am a businessman who has generated over \$100,000,000. You've seen many of my products on TV. As a business owner, I know the meaning of balancing a checkbook. I am currently the chairman of multiple corporations, including a TV production company, record company, and Internet company. Some of my holdings include www.SamsDirect.com, www.keepthefaith.com, and www.LoveStories.com. As a marketing architect, I turned *Wheel of Fortune*, *Jeopardy!* and *Oprah Winfrey* into household names. My vast marketing experience will help win new business to California. As a TV producer, I've produced programming that has caught the attention of the White House. I helped convince theater owners to implement a photo ID check to keep teens out of R-rated movies. Yes, I'm a producer, but also a concerned parent. There's too much violence in the media. I've won nine Emmy awards. This campaign should be about one issue: Balancing the budget. We must think "out of the box." For example, I would offer naming rights to our freeways. Corporations pay to have their names on ballparks—why not the 405 Freeway? I pledge not to raise your income tax. I am David Ronald Sams, Republican for Governor. Happily married for 10 years to my wonderful wife, Renee. Visit www.DavidSams.com before midnight tonight.

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Minnesota did it—Now it's *your* turn, California! It's time for *change* in Sacramento! Vote for the Candidate who is "*owned*" by *nobody*! Government is a *business*, and should be *run* like one! Cast your vote for me—a CEO, businessman, family man, native Californian and *independent thinker*. Over the years, I have started and built up *four* successful businesses from nothing. As a "bootstrap" entrepreneur, I know how to get the *most* out of every dollar. That's what we need *now* in Sacramento—not someone who will raise taxes and fees, but someone like me, who will *properly* spend the funds that are *already* there. Successful businessmen know you can't spend money you *don't* have—"career" politicians have been mortgaging California's future (and that of our children and grandchildren) to further their *own* agenda. *Now* it's time to return the government back to the people...the government works for *you*, the citizens! *Education*: The budget cutbacks are being made in the *wrong* areas. *Leave education funds alone!* Law Enforcement officers belong *on the street*. Public safety needs to be *fortified*, not cut! DMV fees are being misspent. I will start the process of rescinding the DMV Fee increase during my first day on the job. Stop driving money out of the state!—We need to entice businesses *into* California! Tax incentives and a corporate-*friendly* environment are a *priority* if California's economy is to survive! www.Save-California.us

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As your Governor I will work to provide the *fiscal responsibility-reality check* California needs to *save taxpayer money* and return us to a positive financial position. We can do this by encouraging the involvement of the talented people we already have in our business and government communities. Californians must demand that their legislators pay attention to the people and do their true work. We must *listen to experts* and act on their best ideas: educators to improve our schools; union and business leaders to develop our entrepreneurial climate; specialists to protect our environment and modernize transportation; health care professionals to improve the well being of our citizens; and leaders in all fields—and bring California, again, to the forefront of new technologies. Good fiscal management requires making our State the very best place to work and do business. When people have steady, meaningful employment and affordable housing, we all do well. I will also work to *promote California nationally and internationally*. Our State is the gateway to Mexico, Central and South America, the Pacific Basin and Asia and is America's number one provider of products and ingenuity to the world. California needs and is clearly ready for a true *reality check* on how we use our financial, natural and human resources. America and the world look to us for innovation. *Let's reclaim California now.*

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I am a successful and compassionate businessman who is a fiscal realist. I understand that California cannot spend its tax revenues frivolously. I am an innovator who has spent my career in medical-related business endeavors. Improving the physical health of Californians will improve the fiscal health of California. I believe that health begins with prevention, and health care of the highest quality must be an uncompromised standard. I believe that society is severely hampered by junk food, alcohol, drug, and tobacco abuse. Businesses that prosper create jobs. California must become tax friendly to business, not tax adversarial. I do not tolerate unethical behavior, and believe that a crackdown on abusive attorneys, health care providers, and other licensed professionals who compromise their ethics is long overdue. I advocate an extensive transformation and modernization of the educational process to an effective system. I favor tuition discounts to California residents on a sliding scale based upon academic achievement at all California public universities. I disapprove of sacrificing our children's health through the routine sale of junk foods as fundraisers in public schools. It is wrong to sacrifice the needs of our senior citizens at the expense of caring for illegal immigrants. I will be a common-sense nonpartisan Governor, free of any commitments to any special interest group. I am the Candidate who offers Californians a refreshing opportunity to elect a responsible and fair Governor with innovative and sensible ideas for all. To learn more, please go to www.governorgeorge.com.

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Our new governor must address the state's staggering budget deficit in three ways—promote business growth, create jobs, and improve education. The stimulation of business expansion is the centerpiece of this plan. A commitment to education is the cornerstone. Our path is clear. *Jobs do not create themselves. Businesses create jobs.* To increase job opportunities, California's lawmakers must abandon their anti-business bias. They have overregulated and unfairly penalized businesses, causing many to leave the state. Business growth is key to correcting California's deficit crisis and increasing jobs. To achieve this goal, we must overhaul a workers' compensation system that is unfair to businesses and employees. The success of California requires an independent thinker who can transcend party lines. As a UC Berkeley Law School graduate and business advocate for 20 years, I have the experience necessary to turn California around.

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I spent two years in federal prison because I grew medical marijuana for myself and others under the Compassionate Use Act passed by the citizens of California. But our voices mean nothing to Washington. Why elect me Governor? I will pardon all persons convicted in California of victimless crimes, such as growing, selling, transporting or using marijuana, including those in prison for such convictions. I will not prosecute any victimless crimes. I will not chase phantom crimes, innocent acts that legislators make into crimes to show they are "tough on crime," so they can keep themselves in office, but will free up millions of tax dollars from these phantom-crimes chases to be spent on chasing real criminals. I will not accept a salary as Governor. I will demand voluntary rollback of outrageous energy contracts signed by my predecessors. My message is simple: "Either roll back these unconscionable contracts voluntarily, or I will have the courts roll them back." We have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to seize control of government. I will employ the full powers of our Constitution to put the will of all California into action. Californians: Rise up; cast off the chains of tyranny! Elect someone who will stand up for you! I stood up for you in Vietnam and before the federal government! I'll do it again as your Governor! Let Washington, politicians and big business hear the voice of the jury that counts: the voters of California!

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California urgently needs strong and innovative leadership. As Governor, I can do the tough things needed to bring California back from the brink of bankruptcy and give families a better place to live. I want to repair the California Constitution, repeal the vehicle registration increase, stop reckless spending, and increase income by attracting more businesses not by increasing taxes or fees. I want to increase voter participation and require that any borrowing of money be approved by a majority of *all* registered voters, not just the few special interests. I want to invest in the foundation years of education, K-12, and take care of our seniors who worked a lifetime building this once great state. I'm not a professional politician. I'm a decorated Vietnam veteran, worked in insurance and finance, and had a career in law enforcement. For the last thirteen years, I've owned a private civil rights investigation business. I have the fortitude and understanding to change California with your help and vote.

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Recall? Vote *No!*

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After graduating Magna Cum Laude from USC, where I studied real estate and finance, I attended Loyola Law School and have been operating my law practice for the past ten years. Resolving disputes with honesty and integrity and in a cost-effective manner has been my priority. As an aviation student at Glendale Community College, I see firsthand the need to assist students, rather than erecting obstacles through exorbitant tuition hikes. Born and raised in California, living with my wife, daughter and stepdaughter, I consider myself a fiscally responsible person. When my business is not as profitable as I would like to be, instead of raising my rates, I look for ways to increase revenue through expansion, take a cut in pay, and reduce my expenses. Government should follow this same strategy and look for ways to increase the tax base by bringing businesses and people back to California, reduce the top level government salaries, and cut operating expenses. *I'm opposed to the tripling of the motor vehicle license fee. There should be a maximum cap on all tax increases.* With your support, I can solve the problems that California faces and return California to greatness.

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I am running to protest the Recall Election and I urge everyone to vote *No* on the recall. A detailed statement is available on my website—www.timforgovernor.org.

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As a tax attorney, I understand that no one wants to pay more taxes than necessary. Schools, roads, police, jails and other services we expect from government cost money and we must be prepared to pay for them through taxes. We need to focus our attention on our assets, not abandon them. I believe our children are our most important resource. I strongly support education and will reverse recent education budget cuts. Proper fiscal management is paramount to ensure that new taxes are not called for unnecessarily and existing funds are allocated properly. My experience as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, IRS attorney and private practitioner have provided me with a solid background in government and taxation to bring a practical approach to dealing with the budget.

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May the Lord give you the wisdom of Solomon as you vote. I pray that the Wonderful Counselor, the Mighty God will guide me in all decisions, especially in selecting the best and brightest trusted servants to resolve the budget crisis and heal our land. 2 Chronicles 7:14 Please see www.dianetemplin.com and info on the American Independent Party in this Voter Guide for my positions on the issues. If questions—call me 760-480-0428 or E-mail me at dianetemplin@nethere.com.

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I am a single parent and have practiced law for over 23 years. I began as a Deputy District Attorney and later became a Deputy Public Defender. As a state employee, I spearheaded the initial drafting of the regulations for beverage container recycling. I am currently practicing criminal defense. Prior to becoming an attorney, I was a nursing educator at UCLA, UNLV and Howard University. My biography was listed in "Who's Who Among Black Americans."

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I am an experienced business consultant. I have worked with more than 500 companies over 20 years to improve productivity, performance and results. I can apply my wealth of management experience to balance the budget, reduce taxes and regulations, get the economy growing again and create a positive climate for families and businesses to start and grow successfully.

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As 1984 Los Angeles Olympics President, I earned the Time Magazine Man of the Year Award. Previous Olympics were financial disasters. The 1976 Olympics virtually bankrupted Montreal. In California's Olympics, not one cent of taxpayer funds was used. Youth sports are still funded from the \$200,000,000+ Olympic surplus. Olympic glory was restored. Democratic Mayor Tom Bradley and Republican President worked closely with me—with no partisan bickering. Thousands of Californians turned around the Olympics. They collectively deserve the credit. I also served as Baseball Commissioner. When I started, 22 teams were losing money. The sport was in trouble. Five years later, no team was losing money. Ticket prices had not increased. Our State faces a similar situation. Government has created a lethal job and business-killing machine. California is in an economic death spiral. We must turn our state around. The good news: we can turn California around. Partisan warfare must end. So, mine will be a bi-partisan, independent administration. I absolutely commit not to seek re-election. This means I will spend no time campaigning, raising money, or pandering to special interests. It means I can make tough decisions. California has been good to me. Educated in Northern California public schools, I farm in the Central Valley, and now reside in Southern California. I have many business successes, and a few failures. Both helped prepare me for this job. I will not accept a salary. Working together, God willing, we will restore California's glory. I respectfully ask for your vote. Thank you.

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Keep your cash, but contribute ideas at <http://marcvaldezcalgov.blogspot.com/>. Optimistic Democratic alternatives to tired insider blather (occupation: Air Pollution Scientist). Greater autonomy, less micromanagement, for teachers and doctors—for everyone! Worker's compensation reform. Responsible use of the pardon. Habitat protection. Axe electric vehicles—promote hybrids. Devolve state responsibilities and income to localities. Repeal Proposition 13, with deferred-payment home equity loans to ease tax shock. Attend our infrastructure needs, despite budget cutting.

James M. Vandeventer, Jr.
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My name is Jim Vandeventer, Jr., and like all of us, I am fed up with the insanity from Sacramento to Washington. With over 25 years of sales and business experience, I know I will once again make California the Golden State. I will not stand by and let right wing conservatives hijack our state. I will take a stand, preserve a woman's right to choose, stop offshore drilling, protect our environment, insure gay rights, and stop the hemorrhaging of businesses leaving California. It is time to send notice to all Politicians, make the People #1, again. They feed you and your families and it's time you realize you better have their best interests at heart.

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As your Governor, I will make the well-being of you and your children my number one priority. There are no favors I owe to special interest groups. I will put the "gold" back into "The Golden State" by revoking the illegal car tax, balancing the budget and reforming the workers compensation system.

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Earthquakes and special interests threaten California every day. A new untested building code was just adopted for the state without the historic representation by structural engineers, while ignoring their concerns and the concerns of others. The safety of every citizen in our state will be more at risk and construction and administration costs will unnecessarily increase. I have been a California resident for 20 years, an engineer for 17 years, and a structural engineer for 10 years. I have seen the building codes of California improved by thousands of hours of volunteer time by structural engineers who, as a group, have been doing this for over 50 years and have become the undeniable experts in building codes to resist earthquakes in the world. I have served on many code committees to improve building safety, streamline the code, and protect Californians from earthquakes. I have designed and inspected buildings, been a former contractor, and am a member of the Structural Engineers Association of California. I am deeply concerned that the new building code was not adopted with the well-being of all our citizens in mind. It is another example of unbridled self-interest overruling science, technical expertise, and reason. We need to work together using expertise, experience, and reason as the basis of decision-making. My desire to run for governor springs from this one crucial issue. However, I can think of no more important issue than the safety of every Californian in their workplace and in the comfort of their home.

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Dream Green. Repeal Prop 13. I have administered Proposition 13 for twenty years in Oakland.

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Support students' rights. Lower student fees. Vote *Watts*.

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Please vote against this flawed undemocratic recall, in which a governor could be elected by a tiny fraction of Californians. Vote against racist Proposition 54, designed to conceal discrimination and erode civil rights. Stop the extremists who sponsored this recall from weakening workers' labor rights, taking away women's choice, and dismantling coastal and wilderness protections. To reduce the huge deficit, we should stop expensive contracting of jobs to private firms that state workers do better for less money, substitute treatment and education for imprisonment of nonviolent drug offenders, restore higher tax rates on the wealthy, and enact split-roll property taxes so residents have low taxes and big corporations again pay their fair share. California should abolish the death penalty. A single-payer system is needed to provide quality health care for all. Roll back student fee increases. Make polluters of our environment clean up after themselves. My qualifications include a Master's Degree in Public Administration, twenty years working for the State of California, longtime union activism and service in elected union offices, and the Peace and Freedom Party endorsement.

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I am seeking the office of Governor as a career citizen, not as a career politician. I am a lifelong Democrat. I was a Navy officer for two years. I am an attorney, and have represented both consumers and businesses for over 35 years. I have helped consumers recover substantial compensation and have been a corporate manager and senior lawyer for major Bay Area businesses, including National Semiconductor. I graduated from U.C. Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law and Yale University. My wife and I have three daughters—we all have a real stake in California's future.

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I am a retired Oakland Police Officer. My foremost concerns are the rehabilitation of our economy, emphasis on personal responsibility, renewed focus on fiscal responsibility in state and local governments, improving education and reducing crime.

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YOUR VOTE MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Follow These 3 Simple Steps of Voting

REGISTER

If you are a United States citizen, a resident of California, not in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony, and will be 18 years of age by October 7, 2003, you can register to vote. To register to vote, you can:

- **Call or visit** your county elections office.
- **Call** the Secretary of State's Toll-Free Voter Hot Line at 1-800-345-VOTE.
- **Register on-line** at www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections_vr.htm.

Your completed registration form should be received by your county elections office at least 15 days before the election (September 22, 2003).

LEARN

There are several ways you can learn about candidates and ballot measures.

- **Your County Sample Ballot** provides the location of your polling place, polling place hours, who your local and state legislative candidates are, how to apply for an absentee ballot, and how to use the voting equipment in your county.
- **The State Voter Information Guide** provides the information you need to know about statewide candidates and ballot measures. An audio version is available for the visually impaired by calling 1-800-345-VOTE. The State Voter Information Guide is also available on-line at www.voterguide.ss.ca.gov.
- **Cal Access** is an on-line tool which provides information on who is contributing campaign funds to support or oppose statewide candidates and ballot measures. Go on-line at <http://cal-access.ss.ca.gov> for more information.
- **Talk with Family and Friends** because the decisions you make in the voting booth are important and help keep our country strong.

VOTE

Election Day is Tuesday, October 7, 2003. The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- **Find your Polling Place**—The location of your polling place is provided on the back of your county sample ballot. You can also find your polling place by calling your county elections office or on-line at http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections_ppl.htm.
- **To Vote by Mail**—Your county sample ballot contains an application for an “absentee ballot.” In order to receive your absentee ballot in time to vote, this application must be received by your county elections office by September 30, 2003. In order to be counted, your absentee ballot must be received by your county elections office no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, October 7, 2003.



BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

Proposition
53 Funds Dedicated for State and Local Infrastructure.
Legislative Constitutional Amendment.

Put on the Ballot by the Legislature

Summary

Generally dedicates up to 3% of General Fund revenues annually to fund state and local (excluding school and community college) infrastructure projects. Fiscal Impact: Dedication of General Fund revenues for state and local infrastructure. Potential transfers of \$850 million in 2006–07, increasing to several billions of dollars in future years, under specified conditions.

What Your Vote Means

Yes

A YES vote on this measure means: The state would be required to dedicate a portion of annual General Fund revenues for direct appropriations (or “pay-as-you-go” spending) on state and local infrastructure projects. (Currently, most General Fund support of infrastructure projects is provided through debt payments on bonds.)

No

A NO vote on this measure means: The state could spend, on an annual basis, whatever amount it deemed appropriate on General Fund “pay-as-you-go” infrastructure projects.

Arguments

Pro

The Legislature has neglected the infrastructure our economy needs. Proposition 53 will build the public university classrooms, public hospitals, roadways and bridges, water projects, flood control, and law enforcement facilities essential to California’s prosperity, safety and quality of life *without raising taxes*. California voters must protect their future. Yes on Proposition 53.

Con

This locks into the Constitution billions of dollars of spending increases in public works projects with no accountability—even though we face massive budget deficits. None of the money can be spent on school or community college construction projects. We should balance the budget before spending billions more. Vote NO!

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Proposition
54 Classification by Race, Ethnicity, Color, or National Origin.
Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Put on the Ballot by Petition Signatures

Summary

Prohibits state and local governments from classifying any person by race, ethnicity, color, or national origin. Various exemptions apply. Fiscal Impact: The measure would not result in a significant fiscal impact on state and local governments.

What Your Vote Means

Yes

A YES vote on this measure means: State and local government agencies could not collect and use some race-related information.

No

A NO vote on this measure means: State and local government agencies would have no additional restrictions on the collection and use of race-related information.

Arguments

Pro

Generally prohibits the state from classifying individuals by race, ethnicity, color or national origin in areas of public education, contracting or employment. Classifying in other state operations may be authorized by 2/3 vote of legislature. Exemptions: Department of Fair Employment & Housing, law enforcement, medical research subjects and patients.

Con

Proposition 54 works against the interests of all Californians. Banning access to ethnic data will *harm healthcare programs, reduce school accountability, and hurt law enforcement*. Proposition 54 is OPPOSED by law enforcement leaders, educators, the California Medical Association and more than 40 other health groups. Vote NO on Proposition 54.

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OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY

FUNDS DEDICATED FOR STATE AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

- Requires specified percentages of General Fund revenues to be set-aside for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, modernization, or renovation of infrastructure.
- Expenditures must be divided equally between state projects and local projects, other than school and community college district projects, including local street, transportation, water, park, and open space projects.
- Proposition 98 school funding guarantee is unchanged.
- Amount of first set-aside scheduled for 2006–07 is 1%; they increase 0.3% annually to 3% and then remain fixed. Set-asides are subject to increase, decrease, or suspension with revenue increases and decreases.

Summary of Legislative Analyst’s Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:

- Requires dedication of state General Fund revenues for state and local “pay-as-you-go” infrastructure projects. Potential transfers of roughly \$850 million in 2006–07, growing to several billions of dollars in future years. (Actual annual transfers could be less—or even zero—in some years due to various adjustments and triggers in the measure.)

FINAL VOTES CAST BY THE LEGISLATURE ON ACA 11 (PROPOSITION 53)

Assembly:	Ayes 74	Noes 3
Senate:	Ayes 29	Noes 1

ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

BACKGROUND

The state has hundreds of billions of dollars invested in infrastructure. Figure 1 shows the major areas of state-owned infrastructure, which includes highways, universities, parks, office buildings, and prisons. In addition, the state provides funds for local infrastructure in the areas of K–12 schools, community colleges, local streets and roads, local parks, wastewater treatment, flood control, and jails.

The state needs to renovate and replace existing facilities in order that they can continue to serve their intended purposes. In addition, as the state’s population continues to increase, the need for investment in new capital facilities will also grow. Over the next five years, California has an estimated \$54 billion in identified state infrastructure needs.

Funding for State Infrastructure. Traditionally, the state has funded its infrastructure projects in the following ways:

- **Dedicated Revenues.** Some programs have dedicated revenues that must be used for specific purposes. Transportation-related infrastructure (highways and mass transportation) is currently the only major state infrastructure program that is funded by dedicated revenue sources (such as state gasoline taxes and federal funds). Over the past five years, the state has spent approximately \$2.3 billion annually on transportation-related projects.
- **Bond Financing.** Other than transportation, most other state program areas have relied on long-term infrastructure financing through the sale of general obligation bonds and lease-revenue bonds. (The debt service on both types of bonds is typically paid from the state General Fund.) In recent years, the state has issued large amounts of bonds for K–12 schools, higher education, and protection of natural resources. Those capital programs funded through general obligation bonds must wait for a bond authorization to be placed on a ballot and approved by the voters. Those capital programs that use lease-revenue bonds require legislative approval of the bonds in legislation. The state has spent approximately \$4.2 billion annually in bond proceeds over the past five years.
- **Direct General Fund Appropriations.** Some infrastructure programs use direct appropriations, also called “pay-as-you-go” financing, from the General Fund. However, these appropriations can vary significantly from year-to-year. For example, in the early 1990s there were no General Fund appropriations for infrastructure due to state budget difficulties. Over the past five years, the state has spent approximately \$275 million annually using direct General Fund appropriations.

Figure 1

Major State Infrastructure

Program Area	Major State Infrastructure
Water Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 32 lakes and reservoirs. • 17 pumping plants. • 3 pumping-generating plants. • 5 hydro-electric power plants. • 660 miles of canals and pipelines. • 1,595 miles of levees and 55 flood control structures in the Central Valley.
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50,000 lane miles of highways. • 9 toll bridges. • 11 million square feet of Department of Transportation offices and shops. • 209 Department of Motor Vehicles offices. • 138 California Highway Patrol offices.
Higher Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 192 primary and satellite campuses of higher education, including 10,000 buildings containing 138 million square feet of facilities space.
Natural Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 266 park units containing 1.4 million acres and 3,000 miles of trails. • 238 forest fire stations and 13 air attack bases. • 21 agricultural inspection stations.
Criminal Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 prisons and 38 correctional conservation camps. • 11 youthful offender institutions. • 12 crime laboratories.
Health Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 mental health hospitals comprising over 4 million square feet of facilities and 2,300 acres. • 5 developmental centers comprising over 5 million square feet of facilities and over 2,000 acres. • 2 public health laboratory facilities.
General state office space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.5 million square feet of state-owned office space. • 16.6 million square feet of leased office space.

ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

PROPOSAL

This measure would increase the amount of General Fund revenue committed to pay-as-you-go capital outlay projects for both state and local governments. Figure 2 summarizes the basic provisions of the proposition.

3 percent, it would take revenue growth of 7 percent to trigger these increases.) Transfer rates would remain the same in those years that the revenue growth target is not met. On the other hand, the scheduled transfers would

Figure 2

Basic Provisions of Proposition 53

Purpose

- Establishes the California Twenty-First Century Infrastructure Investment Fund (Infrastructure Fund).
- Commits a percentage of the General Fund for “pay-as-you-go” infrastructure projects.

Scheduled Transfers to the Infrastructure Fund

- Transfers 1 percent of General Fund revenue to the Infrastructure Fund beginning with the 2006–07 fiscal year.
- Gradually increases the amount of General Fund committed to the Infrastructure Fund.
- Delays scheduled increases when General Fund revenue growth slows.
- Accelerates scheduled increases by one year when General Fund revenues increase significantly.
- Caps annual General Fund transfers to the Infrastructure Fund at 3 percent of General Fund revenues.

General Fund Revenue Triggers

- Some trigger mechanisms reduce transfers to the Infrastructure Fund during periods when estimates of General Fund revenue growth decline.
- Other trigger mechanisms eliminate transfers to the Infrastructure Fund when General Fund revenues decline.

Special Adjustments

- **School Funding**—Reduces transfer amount when the percentage growth in the Proposition 98 guarantee exceeds the percentage growth in General Fund revenues.
- **Bond Debt Service**—Caps the Infrastructure Fund transfer to the difference between 7.5 percent and the percentage of General Fund revenue devoted to prior-year debt payments for infrastructure-related bonds.

Figure 3

**Proposition 53
 Scheduled Transfers to the
 Infrastructure Fund^a**

Fiscal Year	Percentage of General Fund
2006–07	1.0%
2007–08	1.3
2008–09	1.6
2009–10	1.9
2010–11	2.2
2011–12	2.5
2012–13	2.8
2013–14 and thereafter	3.0 (maximum rate)

^a Transfers would depend on meeting specified conditions (see text).

Scheduled Transfers. Beginning with the 2006–07 fiscal year, this measure would transfer 1 percent of General Fund revenue to the newly established California Twenty-First Century Infrastructure Investment Fund (Infrastructure Fund). The amount of the transfer would increase by 0.3 percent annually under specified conditions until reaching a maximum of 3 percent of General Fund revenues in 2013–14 (see Figure 3). The initial 2006–07 transfer and any incremental increases in subsequent years would only take place if General Fund revenues grew by at least 4 percent (after adjusting for inflation) when compared to the previous year. (Thus, assuming an inflation rate of

be accelerated by a year when General Fund revenues increased by 8 percent or more (after adjusting for inflation) when compared to the previous year.

The measure requires the Legislature to allocate annually the moneys in the Infrastructure Fund for capital outlay purposes—50 percent for state-owned infrastructure and 50 percent for local government infrastructure. The measure requires the Legislature, in subsequent legislation, to set forth the approach and method to be used in the annual allocation of the Infrastructure Fund for local government infrastructure projects. The local funds could go for any capital outlay purpose except for K–12 school and community college projects, which presumably would continue to receive funding from state bond measures.

Revenue Triggers. Proposition 53 contains a variety of adjustments or “triggers” that would reduce or eliminate the transfer to the Infrastructure Fund when General Fund revenue performance is poor or less than estimated.

- **Year-to-Year Changes.** When revenues are estimated to decline from the prior year, there would be no General Fund transfer into the Infrastructure Fund. (In addition, the subsequent-year transfer would be reduced by half.)

ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

- **Revenue Declines Within the Year.** When estimates of General Fund revenue for a given year decline significantly from earlier estimates, the scheduled annual transfer amount would be reduced (by either one-half or one-quarter, as specified).

Special Adjustments. The measure also contains the following special adjustments that could serve to limit the amount of an otherwise scheduled transfer to the Infrastructure Fund:

- **Debt Service.** This measure contains a special adjustment to cap the Infrastructure Fund transfer to the difference between 7.5 percent and the percentage of General Fund revenue devoted to prior-year debt payments on state bonds (known as the debt service ratio). For instance, if the state's debt service ratio were 6 percent, the Infrastructure Fund transfer would be capped at 1.5 percent (7.5 percent less 6 percent)—even if the transfer schedule called for a higher percentage.
- **Proposition 98.** The measure would reduce the transfer amount when the percentage growth in the K–14 public school funding guarantee (known as the Proposition 98 guarantee) exceeds the percentage growth in General Fund revenues. This adjustment would only occur when none of the other triggered reductions or adjustments are in effect that year. Proposition 53 would not directly affect the amount required to be spent under Proposition 98.

FISCAL EFFECTS

Proposition 53 would dedicate a specified amount of the state's General Fund to pay-as-you-go capital outlay projects. Since the measure does not change the overall level of General Fund revenues, the dedication of some resources for pay-as-you-go infrastructure would result in a commensurate reduction in resources for all other purposes. The amounts of future transfers to the Infrastructure Fund are difficult to estimate, as they would depend on a variety of fiscal and economic variables. If, however, the scheduled transfers shown in Figure 3 occurred, we estimate they would start at roughly \$850 million in 2006–07 and grow to several billions of dollars in future years.

Given the various adjustments and triggers in the measure, it is likely that the actual transfer amounts would be considerably less than the scheduled transfers in many years. For instance, if past General Fund revenue trends generally held true for the future, it could take roughly twice the time for the transfers to reach the scheduled 3 percent maximum rate. In addition, there would be some years in which no transfer was made to the Infrastructure Fund and some years in which only a partial transfer was made.

Still, our review suggests that there would be transfers in most years. As described earlier, half of the transfer amount would be dedicated for state infrastructure projects and the other half for local projects.

ARGUMENT in Favor of Proposition 53

Our economy, our security and our well-being in California have all been hurt by budget politics and the Legislature's inaction on critical infrastructure needs.

Proposition 53 does the job the Legislature has failed to do—without raising taxes! While the Legislature has built the state bureaucracy, they also have short-changed the things we count on most in our daily lives.

Our roads and highways, once the pride of the nation, have become faltering drains on the state's economy. Many of our cities rely on drinking water systems built in the 1920s and 1930s. Our beaches are fouled by sewage leaking from disintegrating facilities, some nearly a century old.

Poor budget decisions have brought us to a crisis. If we let our infrastructure continue to crumble, we'll keep losing jobs and businesses. Our most essential services will be threatened, *because lost jobs mean less support for roads, schools and public safety.*

Now, it's up to voters to protect those basic needs. Proposition 53 offers a common sense pay-as-you-go approach that will *require* the Legislature and the governor to meet their obligations to provide for important projects such as:

- State university and college classrooms.
- Roads, bridges and highways.
- Water pipelines, pumping plants and delivery systems.
- Public hospitals and health facilities.
- Senior centers and community centers.
- Sewage treatment plants.
- Highway Patrol offices, police and fire stations.
- State and community parks.
- Flood control.

According to the state's independent budget analyst:

"The state faces a significant challenge in addressing both the deficiencies of an aging public infrastructure and the need for new infrastructure to sustain a growing economy

and population. To effectively meet this challenge, the state needs a well-defined process for planning, budgeting and financing necessary infrastructure improvements.

"Given [the state's] financing situation, there is really no stable funding source year-in and year-out for most state infrastructure projects."

Proposition 53 provides that stability. It will assure that your EXISTING tax dollars go where they are most needed, while *fully protecting our commitment to schools and minimizing impacts on other important state programs.*

Proposition 53 tells the Legislature you want them to deal with your roads, your water supply, your colleges and universities and your parks. It will require the Legislature to direct up to 3 percent of the budget to meet our most critical infrastructure needs. It will let *local leaders*, not state bureaucrats, decide how the money is spent in our communities for the most urgently needed improvements. And it will require the Legislature to pay attention once again to *the crumbling infrastructure that is undermining our state's economy and our quality of life.*

For more information on Proposition 53, the California's Future measure, go to www.yeson53.org. Find out how you can stop the Legislature's shell game.

Don't let the Golden State become the Olden State. Tell the Legislature to stop depending upon 50-year-old infrastructure to support a 21st century California. *Vote YES on California's future. Vote YES on Proposition 53.*

JON COUPAL, *President*

Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

ALLAN ZAREMBERG, *President*

California Chamber of Commerce

GLEN CRAIG, *Retired*

California Highway Patrol Commissioner

REBUTTAL to Argument in Favor of Proposition 53

VOTE NO on PROP 53

At a time when the state faces huge budget deficits, Prop 53 locks billions of dollars of new spending increases for public works into the state constitution with no accountability.

Proposition 53 supporters say this won't raise taxes. But, they know that the way it is written, the state has to increase spending on public works even if there is a deficit and no additional money is available. So, that will mean either new taxes or huge cuts in education, health care and other important public works projects.

It's true that public works projects are needed. So why does Proposition 53 specifically say no money can be spent on building or modernizing public schools, community colleges and other vital projects?

VOTE NO on Prop 53

Proposition 53 has no accountability requirements. Taxpayers will have no idea how this money is actually spent.

Prop 53 will take away funding from our kids' classrooms and force more cuts in education. Join me and send a message to the Legislature—stop voting for big spending increases like Proposition 53, get us out of this deficit, and balance the budget. VOTE NO on Proposition 53!

JACK O'CONNELL

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

ARGUMENT Against Proposition 53

Did you ever wonder why California has such large state budget deficits?

Look no farther than Proposition 53. It's a perfect example of how budget deficits occur.

Proposition 53 creates a multi-billion dollar BLANK CHECK for political pork at a time when California is cutting funds for our schools, cutting health care programs, raising college tuition fees and cutting public safety programs.

Proposition 53 creates a new multi-billion dollar spending program from *existing state revenues*—the same limited revenues that pay for our schools, our community colleges, universities, health care, public safety and other important services.

Vote NO On Proposition 53—Not one dime of Proposition 53's billions of dollars will go to our public schools and community colleges.

Education should be California's top priority, but instead of ensuring that our schools are prepared for the 21st Century, Proposition 53 actually prohibits money from being used to build or renovate our schools and community colleges.

Vote No On Proposition 53—It gives politicians another blank check.

Proposition 53 says the Department of Finance must prepare an annual plan to spend the money, but there is no requirement that the Legislature obey the plan.

Instead Proposition 53 gives the Legislature total control of how the money is actually spent—WITH NO OVERSIGHT. This means more pork spending at taxpayer expense. California should get its fiscal house in order before they go on another spending spree.

Vote No On Proposition 53—It requires no accountability.

Proposition 53 contains no details on how the Legislature will actually spend the money and requires no annual independent audit, no reports and no guarantees that our tax dollars are not wasted. The politicians who spend the money are not required to report to the taxpayers how the billions of dollars Proposition 53 allocates are actually spent.

Proposition 53 locks its spending increases into our Constitution.

Billions of dollars will be taken from existing revenues each year and spent on this new spending program—forever. No matter how poorly the money is spent, no matter if our overcrowded classrooms need added resources, the only way Proposition 53 can be changed is by asking voters to adopt another constitutional amendment. By creating this new spending guarantee in our Constitution, Proposition 53 will make California's broken budget process even more unmanageable.

Why is Proposition 53 on the ballot?

If you knew the state had a big deficit and the budget was out of balance, would you vote for a bill to increase future state spending by billions of dollars? You probably wouldn't. But the Legislature did just that when it put Proposition 53 on the ballot. Why? Because the Legislature had to pass Proposition 53 and give out pork projects in order to get the two-thirds vote needed to end a 77-day budget stalemate.

Send a message. Vote NO on Proposition 53—tell the Legislature to start acting responsibly.

WILLIAM POWERS, *Legislative Director*
Congress of California Seniors
LENNY GOLDBERG, *Executive Director*
California Tax Reform Association

REBUTTAL to Argument Against Proposition 53

It's too bad opponents of Proposition 53 have stooped to misleading scare tactics rather than discuss the importance of investing in California's future.

The opponents of Proposition 53 favor tax increases. The Republican Party supports Proposition 53 because it DOES NOT RAISE TAXES. It invests existing tax dollars in infrastructure critical to saving jobs, saving lives and saving tax dollars.

Education leaders support Proposition 53 because its Section 6 prohibits the diversion of even one dime from local schools and it provides badly needed funds for higher education. Proposition 53 will require less spending on state bureaucrats. *California already has too many bureaucrats.* The Legislature has added more than 42,000 public employees to the payroll in the last 5 years—at an annual cost of \$4 Billion!!

Without Proposition 53's fiscally responsible restrictions, the Legislature has neglected the public university classrooms and laboratories, public hospitals, roadways and bridges, water supply and sewage treatment plants, parks, flood control, law

enforcement and emergency response facilities essential to our prosperity, safety and quality of life.

With Proposition 53, the Legislature must dedicate up to 3 percent of the budget for our most critical infrastructure needs while protecting vital services. It's a pay-as-you-go approach that will save taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars in interest.

California is crumbling. Our streets and highways are gridlocked. Pollution threatens our water supply. Our public universities are overcrowded and deteriorating. Proposition 53 will get California back on track.

Vote YES on California's future. Vote YES on Proposition 53.

CAPRICE YOUNG, *Past President*
Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education
DR. PETER MEHAS, *Superintendent*
Fresno County Office of Education
JON COUPAL, *President*
Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association



OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY

CLASSIFICATION BY RACE, ETHNICITY, COLOR, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

- Amends Constitution to prohibit state and local governments from using race, ethnicity, color, or national origin to classify current or prospective students, contractors or employees in public education, contracting, or employment operations. Does not prohibit classification by sex.
- Prohibition also covers persons subject to other operations of government unless Legislature finds compelling state interest, authorizes by two-thirds of each house, and Governor approves.
- “Classifying” defined as separating, sorting, or organizing persons or personal data. Exemptions include: medical data; law enforcement descriptions; prisoner and undercover assignments; actions maintaining federal funding.

Summary of Legislative Analyst’s Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:

- The measure would not result in a significant fiscal impact on state and local governments.

ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

BACKGROUND

The state and local governments collect information on race, color, ethnicity, or national origin of their employees and other individuals for various purposes. In most cases, the federal government requires this information to ensure compliance with federal nondiscrimination laws (particularly equal employment opportunity laws) and as a condition of receiving various federal funds. For example, state and local government agencies collect race-related information on adopted children and include this information in reports required by the federal government. In some cases, however, state and local agencies collect this type of information when not required by the federal government. For instance, state government collects race-related information on students applying to state universities for admission (whether or not they eventually enroll).

The California Constitution currently allows the collection and use of race-related information. In the areas of public employment, public education, and public contracting, the Constitution, however, prohibits state and local governments from providing “preferential treatment” based on race, color, ethnicity, or national origin.

PROPOSAL

This measure restricts, effective January 1, 2005, state and local governments from “classifying” information on a person’s race, ethnicity, color, or national origin for the purposes of public education, public contracting, public employment, and other government operations. “Classifying” would include the *collection* by a governmental

entity of an individual’s race-related information. It would also affect to an unknown extent (as discussed below) the *use* of race-related information by governmental entities. In our discussion, we use the phrase “collection and use” in place of the measure’s term “classifying.”

Exemptions. The collection and use of race-related information by state and local governments would be prohibited unless specifically exempted. The measure allows the continued collection and use of race-related data for a variety of reasons, including:

- To comply with federal law.
- To remain eligible to receive money from the federal government.
- To comply with a court order in force as of the effective date of the measure.
- To allow law enforcement agencies to describe individuals.
- To place prisoners and assign undercover law enforcement officers.
- To collect and use information related to medical research subjects and patients.
- To allow the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) to collect certain race-related information through 2014.

In addition, for those government operations unrelated to public education, public contracting, and public employment, the measure allows the Legislature to pass (by a two-thirds vote of each house) and the Governor to sign, legislation approving the collection and use of such data to serve a “compelling state interest.”

ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

PROGRAMMATIC EFFECTS

Information Collected for Most Programs

Would Continue

Much of the race-related information collected by state and local government agencies could continue to be collected under the measure's exemptions. The majority of this information is currently required by the federal government. For example:

- Government agencies collect race-related information on job applicants and employees to meet federal equal employment opportunity requirements.
- Public schools (kindergarten through grade 12) collect race-related information on students. The federal government requires most of this information to monitor and evaluate (1) specific educational programs and (2) student test results and achievements.
- The University of California (UC), California State University (CSU), and California Community Colleges collect race-related information on enrolled students and employees to meet federal funding requirements.
- State and local government agencies collect race-related information on individuals who receive services related to cash assistance, alcohol and drug treatment, mental health, and food stamps. Most of this information is required by the federal government.
- Law enforcement agencies collect and compile race-related information to meet various federal requirements.

The DFEH enforces the state's equal opportunity laws. Many of the department's race-related activities are required by the federal government. To the extent that DFEH's race-related activities are not required by the federal government, the measure allows DFEH to continue this work through 2014 (at which time the Legislature could vote to continue these activities).

Information Collected for Some Programs

Would Be Restricted

State and local government agencies also collect and use race-related information independently of federal requirements. To the extent these activities are not covered by the measure's other exemptions, this information could no longer be collected. For instance, agencies could no longer collect race-related information associated with:

- Companies doing business with the state.
- Public school students participating in a limited number of specific state education programs and tests.
- Prospective UC and CSU students.
- High school students participating in some UC educational outreach programs.
- College students participating in the state's loan forgiveness program.

- Students taking state teacher credentialing exams.

In those areas where agencies were restricted in their activities, state and local governments would have reduced race-related information. In such cases, the measure could have some impact on future public policy decisions.

Effects on Some Programs Uncertain

For some current government activities, the effect of the measure is unknown and would depend on future interpretation of the measure's language by courts and future actions by the Legislature. For instance, the federal government compiles demographic information on the state's population (primarily through the Census). This information generally is aggregated—that is, not tied to specific individuals. Many state and local agencies then use this information for a variety of purposes. It is unclear under the measure whether state and local agencies could continue to use the race-related components of this information for evaluation, program, and reporting purposes.

Under the measure, state and local agencies could continue to collect race-related information to meet federal requirements. The measure, however, is not clear whether these entities could then continue to sort and analyze the information for other purposes.

In the area of law enforcement, the measure allows officers to describe individuals by race-related classifications (such as during a search for a criminal suspect). It is unclear if the measure also would allow law enforcement agencies to then use the information in other ways—such as analyzing crime trends by race.

In addition, the state and local agencies collect a variety of public health information through the use of surveys of the public which may include race-related information. It appears that this activity might be allowed to continue under the measure's medical research exception. Future court and/or legislative actions could affect the measure's implementation in this regard.

FISCAL EFFECTS

Much of the race-related information currently assembled and used by state and local governments could continue to be collected under the measure. In some instances, the continued collection of information would depend on federal program and funding decisions. With regards to information which no longer could be collected under the measure, state and local governments could experience minor one-time costs to modify forms and data collection systems. These agencies could also experience minor annual savings due to the reduced collection and use of race-related information. On balance, the measure would not result in a significant fiscal impact on state and local governments.

ARGUMENT in Favor of Proposition 54

“What is your race?”

African-American? Mexican-American? Asian-American? White? Native American? Or, the mysterious “Other?”

If you’re like most Californians, you’re getting tired of that question.

Californians are the most racially and ethnically diverse people in the world—and we are proud of it. We are also among the most independent; and we resent being classified, categorized, divided and subdivided based on our skin color and the origin of our ancestors.

When you’re asked to check a government form with row after row of these rigid and silly little “race” boxes, have you ever just wanted to say, “None of your business; now leave me alone”? Proposition 54 seeks to eliminate racial categorization, by the government, in all areas except medicine, health care and law enforcement.

The advocates of racial categorization maintain that you have no right to privacy concerning your ancestry and racial background. They see no problem if your employer or school officials label you AGAINST YOUR WILL—often without even telling you—or charge you with “racial fraud” if their “racial” definitions are different from yours.

Dare we forget the lessons of history?

Classification systems were invented to keep certain groups “in their place” and to deny them full rights. These schemes were not invented by the Civil Rights movement! They are anathema to it. In fact, former Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall once said, “Distinctions by race are so evil, so arbitrary and invidious that a state bound to defend the equal protection of the laws must not involve them in any public sphere.”

Throughout history, government-imposed racial classifications have been used to divide people. They have been used to set people against each other. The slave owners and segregationists of the American past knew it; the Nazis knew it when they labeled European Jews a separate and inferior “race”; American judges knew it when they had to determine if Asians or part-Asians were white or non-white for the purposes of naturalization. Now, the advocates of racial categorization tell us that government-imposed racial categories will somehow yield the very opposite of what they were originally intended to do! They insult our intelligence!

The unrelenting, daily racial categorization of people by the government is one of the most divisive forces in American society. It is constantly emphasizing our minor differences, in opposition to our better instincts that tell us to seek our common interests and common values.

It’s time for a change!

The government should stop categorizing its citizens by color and ancestry, and create a society in which our children and grandchildren can just think of themselves as *Americans* and individuals.

The colorblind ideal—judging others by the content of their character rather than the color of their skin—is more than a dream in California; it is central to the definition of who we are as a people, because, in California, we don’t just dream; we *do* what others dream of doing.

Vote “YES” on Proposition 54 (www.racialprivacy.org)!

WARD CONNERLY, *University of California Regent*
MARTHA MONTELONGO MYERS, *Columnist*
JOE HICKS, *Human Relations Consultant*

REBUTTAL to Argument in Favor of Proposition 54

We all want a color-blind society. But we also want health care we can count on. The way Proposition 54 is written, it takes away information your doctor needs to fight the spread of disease and prevent illness.

Health information banned by Proposition 54 is currently used to fight cancer, heart disease, diabetes, the spread of infectious diseases, and other illnesses that affect all Californians in every part of the State.

Supporters of Proposition 54 claim that there is an exemption for “medical research subjects and patients.” But, there are dozens of ways we collect important health data not covered by this “exemption.” Data banned by Proposition 54 includes *information from death and birth certificates, hospital and laboratory reports, and disease tracking tools such as the cancer registry*. Eliminating information will make it harder to stop preventable disease outbreaks, premature death, and disability.

That is why the California Medical Association, the American Heart Association, Breast Cancer Action, the California Primary Care Association, California

Healthcare Association, the California Association of Family Physicians and 40 other leading health authorities oppose Proposition 54.

This initiative will not lead to a color-blind society, but it will endanger the health of every Californian. Proposition 54 will make it unconstitutional to use information to save lives.

Who do you trust for information about your health? The American Academy of Pediatrics or the paid political professionals who are selling this initiative?

Vote No on Proposition 54. It is bad for our State, bad for our health.

(www.informedcalifornia.org)

JACQUELINE JACOBBERGER, *President*
League of Women Voters of California
JOHN C. LEWIN, M.D., *Chief Executive Officer*
California Medical Association
MOLLY COYE, M.D., *Former Director*
Department of Health Services, Wilson Administration

ARGUMENT Against Proposition 54

Proposition 54 is bad for health care, bad for public safety and bad for education. To understand why, you have to read the words of the initiative closely. It begins by banning the gathering of information “by race, ethnicity, color or national origin in the operation of public education, public contracting or public employment.” Then it *expands* the ban to “any other state operations.” The ban on gathering information is broad. It includes “separating, sorting or organizing data by race, ethnicity, color or national origin.” Amending the Constitution is a serious step that should not be taken lightly.

It doesn’t make sense to ban information. The data is used for very important purposes.

- We use this information to identify groups at risk for infectious disease. If there is an outbreak of disease in one group, we have to be able to identify and contain it before it spreads to the general population.
- The so-called “medical exemption” only allows doctors to keep racial or ethnic data on their patients, but it does not allow us to use population data to prevent diseases. The California Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, California Healthcare Association and the California Association of Public Hospitals all oppose Proposition 54.
- The data tell us that white women are diagnosed with breast cancer at a higher rate. Asian-Americans are at higher risk for Hepatitis-B. Latinos are more likely to die from complications of diabetes. African-Americans die from heart disease at a higher rate. This information saves lives. The American Heart Association, Breast Cancer Action, the Latino Coalition for a Healthy California and some 40 other health organizations oppose this initiative.

- The exemption for law enforcement is poorly written. According to the Attorney General, the initiative will hurt efforts to prevent “Hate Crimes.” Under Proposition 54, the State Department of Justice could no longer require local police to collect data on victims and suspects. That data can help solve crimes. Law enforcement groups, the Anti-Defamation League, and the Asian Law Alliance oppose Proposition 54.
- The California Public School Accountability Act is designed to make sure that children reach standards of learning regardless of race or ethnicity. Proposition 54 reduces accountability in our schools by letting school administrators off the hook when they fail to close the achievement gap. The California State PTA, the California Teachers Association, the California Federation of Teachers, the University of California and State Superintendent of Schools Jack O’Connell all oppose this initiative.
- It is already against the law in California to give preferential treatment in jobs, contracting and college admissions based on race or ethnicity. We all want to live in a color-blind society. But we won’t get there by banning information.

Proposition 54 was rushed onto the ballot. This Constitutional amendment is poorly written and threatens our health, safety and education.

We urge you to vote NO on Proposition 54.

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League of Women Voters of California
JOHN C. LEWIN, M.D., *Chief Executive Officer*
California Medical Association
ROBERT M. PEARL, M.D.
Kaiser Permanente

REBUTTAL to Argument Against Proposition 54

Proposition 54 states plainly and unconditionally that:

“Medical research subjects and patients shall be exempt [from the initiative].”

In addition, the independent California Legislative Analyst’s Office asserts that:

“...state and local agencies collect a variety of public health information through the use of surveys of the public which may include race-related information. It appears that this activity could continue under the measure’s medical research exception.”

This interpretation is exactly what the proponents of Proposition 54 intended.

Why are proponents of racial categorization so desperate to preserve this idiotic practice of dividing us by skin color and last names that they would misrepresent the initiative in an attempt to scare voters? And, if they deceive about something as simple as this, can you believe anything they say?

The American people are so “mixed” that our lives may actually be put at risk by attempts to match

health care and medicines with race. According to world-renowned geneticists Susanne Haga and J. Craig Venter, “applying antiquated [race] labels to the...interpretation of scientific data could result in misleading and biologically meaningless conclusions...greater genetic variation exists within groups than among them.”

Proponents of racial categorization say they want a color-blind society, but then they fabricate every obstacle imaginable to prevent us from getting there.

Proposition 54 was carefully drafted by some of the best legal minds in the country to demand that government begin to see us as Americans, not as a bunch of hyphenated “races.”

Please VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 54!

SAMUEL AANESTAD, *State Senator*
DR. MARYROSE CONSIGLIO, *Statewide Vice Chair*
Proposition 54
ROGER HEDGECOCK, *Talk Show Host*
KOGO San Diego



Proposition 53

This amendment proposed by Assembly Constitutional Amendment 11 of the 2001–2002 Regular Session (Resolution Chapter 185, Statutes of 2002) expressly amends the California Constitution by adding an article thereto; therefore, new provisions proposed to be added are printed in *italic type* to indicate that they are new.

PROPOSED ADDITION OF ARTICLE XVI A

ARTICLE XVI A INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT FUND

SECTION 1. *The California Twenty-First Century Infrastructure Investment Fund is hereby established in the State Treasury for the purpose of funding capital outlay expenses. The Department of Finance shall prepare an annual plan to expend these funds, unless the Governor directs another state agency to prepare the plan.*

SEC. 2. *As used in this article:*

(a) *“Department of Finance” means the Department of Finance or a successor agency.*

(b) *“General Fund revenues” excludes transfers from other funds into the General Fund and transfers from the General Fund into other funds.*

(c) *“Infrastructure fund” means the California Twenty-First Century Infrastructure Investment Fund.*

(d) *“Made for purposes of the current fiscal year Budget Act as determined by the Department of Finance” means General Fund revenues contained in the Final Budget Summary published by the Department of Finance for the current fiscal year.*

SEC. 3. (a) *Commencing in the 2006–07 fiscal year, and in every fiscal year thereafter, the Controller shall make the following transfers from the General Fund to the infrastructure fund:*

(1) *During the 2006–07 fiscal year, a sum equal to 1 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(2) *During the 2007–08 fiscal year, a sum equal to 1.3 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(3) *During the 2008–09 fiscal year, a sum equal to 1.6 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(4) *During the 2009–10 fiscal year, a sum equal to 1.9 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(5) *During the 2010–11 fiscal year, a sum equal to 2.2 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(6) *During the 2011–12 fiscal year, a sum equal to 2.5 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(7) *During the 2012–13 fiscal year, a sum equal to 2.8 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for that fiscal year.*

(8) *During the 2013–14 fiscal year, and every fiscal year thereafter, a sum equal to 3 percent of the total amount of General Fund revenues as estimated by the Department of Finance for purposes of the Budget Act for the applicable fiscal year.*

(b) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), if the total General Fund revenues for a fiscal year are estimated by the Department of Finance to not increase by at least 4 percent, after adjusting for inflation, compared to the revenues for the prior fiscal year, the increase in the percentage amount to be transferred in the budget year, as otherwise specified in paragraphs (2) to (8), inclusive, of subdivision (a) shall be delayed by one fiscal year.*

(c) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), if the total General Fund revenues for a fiscal year are estimated by the Department of Finance to increase by at least 8 percent, after adjusting for inflation, compared to the revenues for the prior fiscal year, the increase in the percentage amount to be transferred in the budget year, as otherwise specified in paragraphs (2)*

to (8), inclusive, of subdivision (a) shall be accelerated by one fiscal year from the schedule in subdivision (a).

(d) *Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), the initial annual transfer to the infrastructure fund shall not occur until General Fund revenues for a fiscal year are estimated by the Department of Finance to increase by at least 4 percent, after adjusting for inflation, compared to the revenues for the prior fiscal year.*

(e) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), in a fiscal year in which both of the conditions specified in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) apply, the transfer pursuant to this section shall be reduced by an amount determined pursuant to paragraph (2):*

(1) (A) *The percentage growth in the amount required to be applied for the support of school districts and community college districts pursuant to Section 8 of Article XVI is greater than the percentage growth in General Fund revenues.*

(B) *The transfer specified pursuant to this section is not otherwise reduced pursuant to subdivision (b) or (f) or pursuant to subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 4.*

(2) (A) *Determine the amount required to be applied for the support of school districts and community college districts pursuant to Section 8 of Article XVI for the current fiscal year based on the estimate contained in the Governor’s May Revision proposal for that fiscal year.*

(B) *Determine an amount equal to the amount required to be applied for the support of school districts and community college districts pursuant to Section 8 of Article XVI for the prior fiscal year multiplied by the percentage growth in General Fund revenues from the prior to the current fiscal year based on the estimate contained in the Governor’s May Revision proposal for the current fiscal year.*

(C) *Subtract the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (B) from the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (A) and multiply that difference by 0.5.*

(f) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the percentage of General Fund revenues transferred to the infrastructure fund in any fiscal year may not exceed the difference between 7.5 percent of estimated General Fund revenues for that fiscal year less the percentage of General Fund revenues for the prior fiscal year that were used to make debt payments in the prior fiscal year on general obligation bonds of the State and lease-revenue bonds issued by the State Public Works Board.*

(g) *The annual amount transferred to the infrastructure fund, as required pursuant to subdivision (a), shall be reduced by an amount equal to the sales tax revenue in each fiscal year that is redirected to the Traffic Congestion Relief and Safe School Bus Trust Fund pursuant to Proposition 51 if that measure was approved by the voters in November 2002.*

SEC. 4. *The annual transfer from the General Fund to the infrastructure fund, as provided for by this article, shall be made over four time periods in the fiscal year as follows:*

(1) *The first transfer shall be made on August 1, or 30 days after enactment of the budget, whichever is later, and shall be in the amount of 25 percent of the total transfer for the fiscal year based on revenue assumptions made for purposes of the Budget Act, as determined by the Department of Finance.*

(2) *The second transfer shall be made on November 1, and shall be in the same amount as the first transfer.*

(3) *The third transfer shall be made on February 1, and the amount shall be the difference between 75 percent of the total required transfer for the current fiscal year, based on the adjusted revenue estimate for the current fiscal year according to the Governor’s Budget proposal for the following fiscal year, and the total amount of the first and second transfers.*

(4) *The fourth transfer shall be made on May 31, and the amount shall be based on the difference between the total required transfer for the current fiscal year based on the adjusted revenue estimate for the current fiscal year according to the Governor’s May Revision proposal for the following fiscal year and the total amount previously transferred.*

(b) (1) *If the updated revenue estimate for the current fiscal year, as contained in the Governor’s Budget proposal for the next fiscal year, is more than 5 percent below the revenue assumptions made for purposes of the*

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current fiscal year Budget Act as determined by the Department of Finance, the February 1 transfer shall be suspended until no sooner than May 31.

(2) If the updated revenue estimate for the current fiscal year, as contained in the Governor's May Revision proposal for the next fiscal year, is more than 5 percent below the revenue assumptions made for purposes of the current fiscal year Budget Act as determined by the Department of Finance, the February 1 transfer and the May 31 transfer shall be suspended for that fiscal year. If the February 1 transfer had already been made because revenue estimates at that time did not show a 5 percent or greater decline, that amount shall be credited toward the transfer for the next fiscal year.

(3) If the revenue estimate for the current fiscal year, as contained in the Governor's May Revision proposal for the next fiscal year, is between 2 percent and 5 percent below the revenue assumptions made for purposes of the current fiscal year Budget Act, as determined by the Department of Finance, the total transfer for that fiscal year shall be only 75 percent of what it would otherwise be if revenues had not declined from the original estimate.

(4) If the revenue estimate for the current fiscal year, as contained in the Governor's May Revision proposal for the next fiscal year, is between zero and 2 percent below the revenue assumptions made for purposes of the current fiscal year Budget Act as determined by the Department of Finance, the total transfer amount for that fiscal year shall be 100 percent of that required under Section 3, and the fourth transfer on May 31 shall include the balance needed to fulfill the transfer requirement.

(c) If there is a year-to-year revenue decline on the basis that revenues in a fiscal year, as estimated either for purposes of the Budget Act at the beginning of the fiscal year, the following January in the Governor's Budget, or the following May in the Governor's May Revision, are estimated to be either less than the actual revenues in the prior fiscal year or more than 4 percent below actual revenues in the prior fiscal year after adjusting for inflation, both of the following shall occur:

(1) The transfer shall be suspended for that year. If the year-to-year decline in revenues is based on January or May revenue estimates, any

transfers already made in August, November, and February of that fiscal year shall be credited toward transfer requirements for the following fiscal year. However, if the transfer is suspended in any fiscal year, the transfer in the following fiscal year shall be only one-half of the amount otherwise required based on the percentages specified in Section 3. That transfer requirement shall include amounts credited from transfers made in the prior fiscal year pursuant to this paragraph prior to any suspension occurring.

(2) Any unencumbered funds in the infrastructure fund that are allocated only to the State, and are subject to appropriation, may be loaned interest-free to the General Fund, either in the fiscal year that the transfer is suspended or in the following fiscal year, provided that these loans do not result in the delay of any previously funded projects.

SEC. 5. The funds transferred to the infrastructure fund in each fiscal year shall be allocated by the Legislature in the following fiscal year for capital outlay purposes, as follows:

(a) Fifty percent for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, modernization, or renovation of infrastructure that is owned, or is to be acquired by, the State.

(b) Fifty percent for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, modernization, or renovation of infrastructure, including, but not limited to, streets, roads, highways, transportation, water, parks, and open space, that is owned, or is to be acquired by, local governments, including cities, counties, a city and county, and special districts, but not school districts or community college districts. The Legislature shall provide by law a method for the annual allocation of these funds to local governments for their use on projects that meet the requirements of this section.

SEC. 6. Neither transfers to, nor allocations from, the infrastructure fund shall in any manner affect the calculations otherwise made pursuant to Section 8 or Section 8.5 of Article XVI.

SEC. 7. For purposes of this article, appropriations from the infrastructure fund pursuant to this article constitute appropriations for qualified capital outlay projects for purposes of Section 9 of Article XIII B.

Proposition 54

This initiative measure is submitted to the people in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Article II of the California Constitution.

This initiative measure expressly amends the California Constitution by adding a section thereto; therefore, new provisions proposed to be added are printed in *italic type* to indicate that they are new.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE I

Prohibition Against Classifying by Race by State and Other Public Entities

SECTION 1. Section 32 is added to Article I of the California Constitution, to read:

SEC. 32. (a) *The State shall not classify any individual by race, ethnicity, color, or national origin in the operation of public education, public contracting, or public employment.*

(b) *The State shall not classify any individual by race, ethnicity, color, or national origin in the operation of any other state operations, unless the Legislature specifically determines that said classification serves a compelling state interest and approves said classification by a two-thirds majority in both houses of the Legislature, and said classification is subsequently approved by the Governor.*

(c) *For purposes of this section, "classifying" by race, ethnicity, color, or national origin shall be defined as the act of separating, sorting, or organizing by race, ethnicity, color, or national origin including, but not limited to, inquiring, profiling, or collecting such data on government forms.*

(d) *For purposes of subdivision (a), "individual" refers to current or prospective students, contractors, or employees. For purposes of subdivision (b), "individual" refers to persons subject to the state operations referred to in subdivision (b).*

(e) *The Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) shall be exempt from this section with respect to DFEH-conducted classifications in place as of March 5, 2002.*

(1) *Unless specifically extended by the Legislature, this exemption shall expire 10 years after the effective date of this measure.*

(2) *Notwithstanding DFEH's exemption from this section, DFEH shall not impute a race, color, ethnicity, or national origin to any individual.*

(f) *Otherwise lawful classification of medical research subjects and patients shall be exempt from this section.*

(g) *Nothing in this section shall prevent law enforcement officers, while carrying out their law enforcement duties, from describing particular persons in otherwise lawful ways. Neither the Governor, the Legislature, nor any statewide agency shall require law enforcement officers to maintain records that track individuals on the basis of said classifications, nor shall the Governor, the Legislature, or any statewide agency withhold funding to law enforcement agencies on the basis of the failure to maintain such records.*

(h) *Otherwise lawful assignment of prisoners and undercover law enforcement officers shall be exempt from this section.*

(i) *Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as prohibiting action which must be taken to comply with federal law, or establish or maintain eligibility for any federal program, where ineligibility would result in a loss of federal funds to the State.*

(j) *Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as invalidating any valid consent decree or court order which is in force as of the effective date of this section.*

(k) *For the purposes of this section, "State" shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the State itself, any city, county, city and county, public university system, including the University of California, California State University, community college district, school district, special district, or any other political subdivision or governmental instrumentality of or within the State.*

(l) *This section shall become effective January 1, 2005.*

(m) *This section shall be self-executing. If any part or parts of this section are found to be in conflict with federal law or the United States Constitution, the section shall be implemented to the maximum extent that federal law and the United States Constitution permit. Any provision held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of this section.*

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CALL YOUR COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE for assistance.

SERVE AS A POLLWORKER ON ELECTION DAY!

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- Assist voters on Election Day
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DID YOU KNOW THERE IS A STUDENT POLLWORKER PROGRAM?

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VOTER BILL OF RIGHTS

1. You have the right to cast a ballot if you are a valid registered voter.

A valid registered voter means a United States citizen who is a resident in this state, who is at least 18 years of age and not in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony, and who is registered to vote at his or her current residence address.

2. You have the right to cast a provisional ballot if your name is not listed on the voting rolls.

3. You have the right to cast a ballot if you are present and in line at the polling place prior to the close of the polls.

4. You have the right to cast a secret ballot free from intimidation.

5. You have the right to receive a new ballot if, prior to casting your ballot, you believe you made a mistake.

If at any time before you finally cast your ballot, you feel you have made a mistake, you have the right to exchange the spoiled ballot for a new ballot. Absentee voters may also request and receive a new ballot if they return their spoiled ballot to an elections official prior to the closing of the polls on Election Day.

6. You have the right to receive assistance in casting your ballot, if you are unable to vote without assistance.

7. You have the right to return a completed absentee ballot to any precinct in the county.

8. You have the right to election materials in another language, if there are sufficient residents in your precinct to warrant production.

9. You have the right to ask questions about election procedures and observe the elections process.

You have the right to ask questions of the precinct board and election officials regarding election procedures and to receive an answer or be directed to the appropriate official for an answer. However, if persistent questioning disrupts the execution of their duties, the board or election officials may discontinue responding to questions.

10. You have the right to report any illegal or fraudulent activity to a local elections official or to the Secretary of State's Office.

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, or if you are aware of any election fraud or misconduct, please call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free

**VOTER PROTECTION HOTLINE
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Japanese: 1-800-339-2865
Vietnamese: 1-800-339-8163
Tagalog: 1-800-339-2957
Chinese: 1-800-339-2857
Korean: 1-866-575-1558

In an effort to reduce election costs, the State Legislature has authorized the State and counties to mail only one pamphlet to addresses where more than one voter with the same surname resides. You may obtain additional copies by writing to your county elections official or by calling 1-800-345-VOTE.

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