

The Voter THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF MENDOCINO COUNTY Winter 2024

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Local Candidate Forums Planned

First days of February by Jane Person

Local Candidate Forums

Get in your REPS

California Assembly, District 2. The following evening, Friday, February 2, the League will hold a forum for candidates for the 4th District seat on the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors. Both forums will be held in Town Hall, at the corner of N. Main and Laurel Streets in Ft. Bragg, beginning at 6 pm. Both are in-person events which will be

On Thursday, February 1, the League will sponsor a forum for candidates for

taped, and shown on the City's website. Thursday's event will be moderated by League president Charlene McAllister, Friday's by League member Sharon DiMauro. The timekeeper for both forums is Jary Stavely. Six of the seven candidates on the March 5th ballot have agreed to the Thursday

forum: Ted Williams, Mike Greer, Rusty Hicks, Chris Rogers, Ariel Kelley, and

Frankie Myers. The 2nd District stretches from Hwy. 12 in Sonoma County to Del Norte in the north. Two candidates will appear on Friday for the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors race: Bernie Norvell and Georgina Avila-Gorman. Each candidate will be given 3 minutes for opening and closing statements, and each will have 2 minutes to answer questions from the audience gathered by League members Peggy Smith and Jane Person, and read by the moderator. If you have questions you would like to hear answered, but cannot go to the forums, McAllister at charad@comcast.net.

please email them to Jane Person at janeperson@hotmail.com, or to Charlene Another forum featuring candidates for Assembly District 2 will be held at the Ukiah Civic Center at 6 pm on February 15, sponsored by the Mendocino Women's Political Caucus and the American Association of University Women. Calendar January 24 (Wednesday) Zoom

Medicare webinar In this issue ... Coast Hospital January 25 (Thursday) 6:00 PM MCHCD board meets January 28 (Sunday) noon Caspar Community Center *GrassRoots Institute meeting: utility rates* 6:00 PM FB Town Hall February 1 (Thursday) Candidate forum: 2nd District Assemblymember FB Town Hall February 2 (Friday) 6:00 PM Candidate debate: 4th District Supervisor

Strengthen Your Citizenship National and Local Goals **Primary Election Summary** Voter Information: Vote 411 Mental Health and Housing: Prop 1 In memoriam: Betty Barber February 14 (Wednesday) League of Women Voters birthday

LCP Update Update F.B. Library Expansion 6:00 PM February 15 (Thursday) MCHCD Elects New Officers AAUW candidate forum for Assembly District 2 New Regional Youth Organization February 19 (Monday) Presidents Day Referendum Regulation February 20 (Tuesday) 5:00-7:00 **Learning Opportunities LWVMC Information** March Links Women's History Month Click these entries to jump to the March 5 (Tuesday) California article. March 19 (Tuesday) your friends and neighbors.

Mendocino County Last day to register/re-register for the March election Presidential primary election (last day) **TBD** Northern California Youth Policy Coalition

Ukiah Civic Center

The public is welcome at these LWVMC events. Please invite Resolution for the new year ... Strengthen Your Citizenship:

> [We found this new year reminder about building democracy online at civicnebraska.org, and wish to share it as this issue's Leaders' Message. —eds.] Strong citizens are not created overnight. It requires focus, patience, and—true to the lifelong nature of the work—*repetition*. Above all, that last one may be the most important element to fortifying our democracy: to claim, exert, and spread civic power, you don't need to master everything at once, you just need to repeat, one at a time, until you've gotten the hang of it. We know that's easier said than done, of course. Regularly lifting up the tenets of

strong citizenship can be a challenge in a busy world with so many distractions. So we've broken down the pillars of strong citizenship into four easier-to-lift categories of Respect, Engagement, Practice, and Support. Hey, look at that!

Others. In your words and actions, understand and acknowledge others' positive qualities and behaviors, regardless of whether you agree with all of their choices or worldviews. Maintain an optimistic view of how others are living their lives and the impact they make on the world. Give grace. We're all in this together.

Together, they form a tidy acronym: REPS. Let's take a few, shall we?

Laws and regulations. Obey the laws of our state, nation, and community. Respect traffic laws, personal rights, property rights, and regulations that serve the well-being and safety of your community. **Public spaces.** Help keep public areas clean and well-maintained. Dispose of trash properly, follow rules for public spaces, and leave no trace when you depart.

basis.

Our February meeting ...

Check your registration:

New online source

Statewide Measure 1

Should the state play a bigger role?

by Dorine Real

the problem.

curtail individual liberties.

advantage of new tools.

LCP Update Update

on You Tube.

In Memoriam

Betty Barber, who belonged to the League for many years and often chaired its nominating committee, passed

away on December 2. She will be remembered and missed by many. Mendocino Land Trust has published a

remembrance focusing on her work with them.

Here are some highlights from the meeting:

advisory committee) has agreed to join in the process.

LCPs, had yet to be signed off on.

to be written had not yet gone out.

slated for July of 2026.

water will increase as its temperature rises.

committee for the Noyo Harbor LCP.

Still nonpartisan and reliable

https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov/

Remember, the presidential primary is a

partisan primary —you must be registered to your party or request a "cross-voting"

ballot by February 19 to vote for President.

Support:

education for everyone.

National and Local Goals

How will our League support democracy and the community?

national convention this spring,

Primary Election Summary

one), as well as one statewide measure.

Coulombe, Jason Brisendine, Jolian Kangas)

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

eague's Voter Information

Chris Rogers, Michael Greer, Ariel Kelley, Rusty Hicks)

District 2 (Mo Mulheren, Jacob Brown)

District 4 (Bernie Norvell, Georgina Avila-Gorman)

energy over the coming year. The agenda will include:

Respect:

by Steve Smith

Respecting our shared spaces is a potent way to set positive community standards. The environment. Be mindful of your environmental impact. Practice sustainable behaviors such as recycling, conserving energy and water, and reducing waste. Engage: With and within your community. Contribute your time, talent, and treasure to local charities, nonprofits, and community projects. Volunteering is an effective

> way for you to support those in need and to strengthen your community at the same time. With local businesses. Shop regularly at your town's or city's businesses to strengthen your community's economy and contribute to a larger sense of belonging for everyone. Partner with local businesses on community issues and projects whenever possible. With our democratic processes. Vote in every election and take part in various civic activities. Attend community gatherings, town halls, and public forums. Be a poll worker. Voice your opinions and contribute to discussions that are important to your community.

meaningful discussions. Vet, verify, and share important news within your networks. Write letters to the editor. Practice: **Tolerance.** Embrace diversity and treat all individuals with respect, regardless of background, belief, or identity. Avoid prejudice, discrimination, and hate speech. **Empathy.** Be empathetic toward others and practice acts of kindness. Small gestures can make a difference in another person's day and foster community. Neighborliness. Get to know your neighbors and help them out when they need it —and ask them for help when you do. Attend neighborhood association meetings.

Host a block party. Be a part of strengthening democracy on a block-by-block

Education. Value and support education as a pathway toward personal growth and public progress. Encourage lifelong learning. Advocate for quality, accessible

Community progress. Join in improvement projects like neighborhood cleanups, beautification initiatives, and strategies that enhance the quality of life for all.

Seek out partners who can help you make transformative change.

With local and national happenings. Stay updated on local and global news, and inform yourself about the issues that affect your community, nation, and world. Being well-informed enables you to make informed decisions and take part in

Social responsibility. Advocate for social justice and equity. Support initiatives that address inequalities and promote equal rights for everyone. Of course, the actions above are not the only daily repetitions you can take to reach the rank of Super-Strong Citizen. If what we've shared here appears to be daunting or too heavy of a lift all at once, it's OK to focus on one or two and just get started. Finally, don't be surprised if you encounter pushback at some point. Believe it or not, this is normal. Remember: like weightlifting, strong citizenship requires *some* type of resistance to get the results we're looking for. That should serve as motivation to keep on going—one rep at a time.

The Mendocino County League of Women Voters will hold a general membership meeting at 6 pm on February. 20 at the Caspar Community Center. The business of this "program planning" meeting is to determine how we will allocate our

Choosing recommended areas of focus for LWVUS, to be voted on at the

We will also review the pros and cons of the two referends on the March 5

service, and sketching a strategy and timetable for our work

• Identifying issues of particular local concern, balancing issue work with voter

Primary Election ballot—Proposition 1 (statewide) and Measure R (countywide). Dorine Real is organizing the presentation, and welcomes assistance from the community, League members or not. Those who have fond memories of applying colored dot stickers to chart paper are particularly encouraged to join forces for this effort. **League board meetings** are always open to the members. You are cordially invited to tune in and learn how the board operates. The next one will be held on February 13 at 6 pm on Zoom.

The Presidential Primary Election will be held on March 5, 2024. In addition to votes on political party candidates for president, it will include "top 2" ballots for U.S. Senator (both for the late Sen. Feinstein's unfinished term and for a new

Housing for the Homeless." Because it includes a bond

Your ballot will be mailed by

February 5.

If you don't receive it, call

the elections office at

(707) 234-6819

Proposition 1 "authorizes

\$6.38 Billion in Bonds to

Treatment Facilities for

Those With Mental Health

measure, it needs a 2/3 vote to pass.

Representative in Congress, 2nd District (Jared Huffman, Tief Gibbs, Chris

California Assembly District 2 (Ted Williams, Cynthia Click, Frankie Myers,

District 1 (Madeline Cline, Carrie Shattuck, Adam Gaska, Trevor Mockel)

purposes of removal and disposal of abandoned and wrecked vehicles?" will also

For the last several years, California voters have had access to voter information via the Voter's Edge website. This year, the California League has transitioned to

photo. Ballot measure details are included, and information about candidate forums as well. In addition, information about registration deadlines, how and where to register, and encouragement to become a poll worker are included.

The sole state measure on the ballot in March is Measure 1, a bond measure which would also change how mental health and housing funds are allocated. It was put on the ballot by the legislature. The California League's CalVotes site has an impartial analysis of the measure; and the Secretary of State has posted the

The League opposes this measure. In its opposition statement, LWVC

acknowledges that the problems this measure addresses are critical. According to CAVotes, "In January 2022, approximately 171,500 Californians were homeless. Of that population approximately 75,700 are suffering from severe mental illness and/or chronic substance disorders. Another 10,400 are veterans." But there are

services for counties – the bond money is to build treatment units and supportive housing. Under the changes this measure makes to the Mental Health Services Act, more of the money received by counties must be used for housing of eligible people and for intensive, personalized support services like assistance finding employment and accessing educational opportunities. This reallocation reduces the funds available for other mental health services that counties currently offer to patients, like treatment, crisis response, and outreach. It has the overall effect of reducing counties' ability to set priorities based on local needs for mental health services. Local programs that are working well could be defunded. This is counter to the League's good government principle of decision-making by those closest to

According to LWVC, the bond portion of the measure was rushed through the

involuntary treatment in locked facilities. The rushed nature of these amendments precluded substantive debate and ignored arguments from diverse communitybased organizations and health care and civil rights advocates. These groups

contend that community-based care is more effective than institutionalization and that incentivizing institutionalization will both lead to worse health outcomes and

Finally, the League maintains that the legislature should retain responsibility and control over the budget, keeping flexibility to address emerging needs and take

At the League meeting held via Zoom on December 12, Peter McNamee of the GRI Mendocino Vision Working Group presented a summary of what has

happened so far with the three LCP updates underway for the Mendocino Coast, and gave reminders for how to participate in what is to come. A slide deck of his presentation, titled "Managing Our Coastal Future," is on the Working Group's website. An incomplete recording of the event, starting during slide 6, is available

As of the date of the presentation, the grant from the Coastal Commission for the Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Study, crucial to the ultimate information in the

Citizen groups to help in documenting coastal conditions have formed for Noyo Harbor, Caspar, and Little River, and the Gualala MAC (a Supervisor level

Consultants for the Water, Traffic, and Visual/Archeological Studies are in the process of being identified, but a request for proposals (RFP) for the massive EIR

An aspect of sea level rise not usually considered is that the volume of ocean

Peter himself has offered to serve as a member of the public engagement

He urged all who wish to help in the process to learn about sea level rise, to

in Point Arena's LCP update. Additionally, those concerned can hold

collect data on what is happening on their specific section of the coast, and to take photos to document what they observe. Such photos have already proved helpful

neighborhood meetings to discuss the issues, prepare oral testimony for formal LCP meetings, speak directly with their supervisor or city council member, and

At least three public hearings concerning the LCPs are to be held by February of 2026; the EIR is to be complete by the following month; and final completion is

legislature with last-minute amendments that opened the door to funding

As the County Coordinator (CoCo) for Mendocino County, I am encouraging all our local candidates to participate and post information and photos, so our voters can make informed choices. If you have any questions about the new site, please

Build Mental Health

and Substance Use

Challenges; Provides

Within Mendocino County, contested races on the ballot include:

The only incumbents on the ballot are Huffman, for U.S. Congress, and Mulheren, for 2nd District Supervisor. Measure R, "Should the Mendocino County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program and associated fees (one dollar (\$1) per vehicle and an additional two dollars (\$2) for certain commercial vehicles) be renewed for a ten-year term for

be voted on.

by Pat Dunbar

Vote 411 (https://www.vote411.org/), in order to provide voters with detailed information about their ballots, candidates, and ballot measures. As before, a voter enters their relevant address, and the site will show races, candidates, and measures for that location. Candidates are invited to provide details on their candidacy, and answer a few questions about themselves and why they are running. They may also post a

contact me at pdunbar@mcn.org.

ballot arguments and supporters.

Mental Health and Housing

several serious problems with its approach. While the additional housing resources offered through Prop 1, as much as 3% of the current shortfall, are sorely needed, they do not outweigh its flaws. Currently, between \$2 billion and \$3.5 billion a year for mental health services is derived from the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), known as the "Millionaire Tax," passed by voters in 2004. California's counties are granted 95% of these funds, with relative flexibility in their use for mental health services and for substance use treatment for people with or at risk of developing mental illness. Of course, total current housing and treatment resources are insufficient to address these crises. But Prop 1 does not increase the overall funding for mental health

A community resource

A community effort

contact the Coastal Commission about what they know or foresee. A wealth of contacts for county officials and for background information is provided at the end of the online slide deck. For a thoughtful reflection on sea level rise and how to respond to it, Peter McNamee recommends reading an article from Bloomberg by Timothy A. Schuler, Who Will Manage the US Climate Retreat?: "Federal efforts to protect communities from climate disasters with buyouts and resilience projects are often

By this time next year, the Fort Bragg Library will know if it qualified for \$4 million from the State of California Building Forward Grant. If it does, plans for the expansion project can go forward. Round Two of the grant process is based on

the poverty level of the area, and "we're still in the running," said Dan Hess, Branch Librarian. The planned expansion has not received any outside funding thus far. So far about \$800,000 has been raised by the Friends of the Library and

The library has undergone several lives. In 1913, when it first opened, the library was located on North Main St. next to what is now Town Hall. The Fort Bragg Advocate (January 8, 1913) described it as an "artistic structure" with an interior finished in natural redwood. However, it was destroyed by an arson fire in 1987. In 1988 the Cannaar-Fairlee Building, a former funeral home at the corner of Laurel & Whipple, was purchased with \$300,000 of fire insurance money. Then in 2007 a major remodel was undertaken, and the entire library moved to temporary quarters across the street in the Veterans Hall. The remodel cost \$520,000, of

In 2016 the Friends bought the lot next door on Whipple St. for \$185,000, leveled the lot, and preserved redwood from the site for the new building. A generous donor left their entire estate to the Friends for the expansion project. More than 85

community members have joined the \$1000 Club as individual donors, civic

The proposed design for the new addition, as well as the cost analysis, can be viewed at the Library, courtesy of Marie Jones, Project Advisor. It is also available for viewing at the Friends bookstore in Noyo Harbor, adjacent to the

At a special meeting on the evening of January 4, Paul Garza, Jr. was elected as the new Chair of the Mendocino Coast Health Care District Board of Directors. Garza is the first Latino/Latinx to serve as Chair of the Board and one of few Latino elected officials in the County. He is also a County appointee to the Sonoma Mendocino Economic Development District, Past Chair of West

MCHCD has also retained the services of Kathy Wylie via an agreement with Regional Government Services. Wylie is the former Chair of the Grand Jury, past Treasurer of the Mendocino Healthcare Foundation and a local real estate Broker.

Established in 1967, the mission of MCHCD is to ensure the continuity of essential health care in the remote communities on the Mendocino Coast. The District's primary challenge is determining how to finance the State's mandate to bring the Mendocino Coast Hospital to seismic compliance and to upgrade its

Those interested can learn more about the District at their website or their

The next regular meeting of the board is January 25, 2024 at 6 pm at the

YOUTH POLICY COALITIO

he Northern California Youth Policy Coalition is a phenomenal advocate for rural

youth, tirelessly championing their needs and ensuring their voices are heard. With their unwavering dedication and commitment to addressing the concerns of

this often overlanded group, they have become an invaluable force in creating

Those who follow California legislation closely may be interested in a small piece

"Proponents of veto referendum use new state law to withdraw measure on fast

withdrew a veto referendum from the Nov. 5, 2024, ballot that sought to repeal California Assembly Bill 257 (AB 257). AB 257 would establish a 10-member fast food council authorized to adopt a minimum wage for fast food restaurant

published in Ballotpedia's weekly email summary. Apparently referendum promoters now have more leeway to undo what they have put into motion:

food employment law. On Dec. 29, the Save Our Local Restaurants PAC

employees not to exceed \$22 per hour. This is the first veto referendum

wering young individuals in the regio

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recognition. It's time to shed light on the hidden gem cons California and give these voices a seat at the table. Dur main objective is to ensure that the yourh notices of this region are heard on local,

tosters a sense of sepresentation and fairness for all. Throa

youth we sim to create positive the

regional and state levels, where decisions make a direct impact on our rural communities. By advocating for the needs and priorities of rural

incressed representation and dedicated efforts, we can pave the way long brighter luture for Northern California and its youth.

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New Regional Youth Organization

The Northern California Youth Policy Coalition (NCYPC) is a new (as of December 2023), nonpartisan, youth organization for 9th-12th grade students. Since its recent start here in Mendocino County, there are already 30

The goal of the NCYPC is to highlight the

constituency in the state. As a re

Redwoods Room, Adventist Health Mendocino Coast Hospital, 700 River Drive,

which the Friends of the Fort Bragg Library contributed \$470,000.

groups, and donations given in memoriam.

Princess Seafood Restaurant.

Mendocino Coast Health Care District

by Kathy Wylie

aging facilities.

Facebook page.

by Cindy Plank

Fort Bragg.

with roots in Mendocino County

members from 5 of the 30 rural northern California counties! These inspiring future voters have been working very hard. Check out their

"Our goal is to highlight issues facing

Youth interest and involvement in all

NCYPC contact info, including a link

levels of government will keep our

democracy growing stronger.

• Email: infoncypc@gmail.com

Please share this information with high school students and with your

friends/family/networks. Also, mark

your calendars & plan to learn more

from NCYPC leaders who will speak

at our League meeting on March 19,

at 6 pm. More details to come.

for students to join: • Phone: 707-349-6127

 Facebook page Membership form

rural communities, engage future voters, organize annual advocacy days at the California State Capitol, and emphasize the voices and viewpoints of our rural youth who are an oftenoverlooked constituency in the state."

newsletter at right.

fractured and poorly coordinated. Is there a better way?"

Fort Bragg Library Expansion

by Jane Person

local community support.

Business Development Center and a member of the Redwood Region RISE's Equity Council. Continuing in his role as Vice-Chair of the MCHCD Board is well-known community advocate and local business owner Paul Katzeff. Susan Savage, political organizer & consultant to teacher organizations, was re-elected Secretary. Sara Spring, long term coast resident, community activist and bookkeeper for local businesses/non-profits, was likewise re-elected as Treasurer. Past Chair Lee Finney has served as Chair for the past year and has overseen a significant transformation in the direction and mission of the District, but has decided to step down.

MCHCD Elects New Officers

withdrawn under a new California law, Assembly Bill 421, passed in September 2023. This law allows veto referendum proponents to withdraw their qualified referendum at least 131 days before the election." The veto would have had no effect anyway, since the proponents reached a compromise with the legislature to repeal AB 257 and replace it with AB 1228. Upcoming Learning **Opportunities** Two events which may interest *Voter* readers have been scheduled in late January.

> First, the LWV of Berkeley Albany Emeryville is presenting From the Board Room to the Exam Room, which "will look under the covers to find out if

Medicare is in good health (it's not) on January 24th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM." Its announcement continues, "The Medicare we have is not the Medicare we thought we had. Learn what's wrong and what must be done at a webinar co-sponsored by LWVBAE and CARA (California Alliance for Retired Americans) on Wednesday, January 24th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. We've invited three expert speaker/panelists to review how Medicare works, explain how it's being privatized, reveal how profit is being extracted from this vital nonprofit public program, and answer your

The second one concerns recent changes to utility fees, a topic to be explored at an upcoming meeting of the Grass Roots Institute at the Caspar Community

"We are pleased to invite you to the GRI General Meeting on January 28th at noon. We will be joined by guest speaker Cailey Underhill, Advocacy &

Development Director with the grassroots nonprofit Solar Rights Alliance. She will speak with us about the looming Utility Tax and how we can stop it. Details

"Quick background on the Utility Tax: Last year, the Legislature passed a law (AB 205) that would add a Utility Tax to everyone's electricity bill. This Utility Tax is uncapped, with unlimited potential to grow. Now the utilities and some organizations are proposing the highest Utility Tax in the country—between \$30-70 / month for any non-CARE or FERA ratepayer, just for being hooked up

"The Utility Tax proposals will <u>increase</u> utility bills for millions of working people across California. The proposals will hit particularly hard on people who

discourage all forms of energy conservation, such as turning off the lights, putting in new windows, or installing solar panels. Even a Utility Tax of \$30/month will

"Our legislators voted to create this mess, and now they need to fix it before state regulators make a final decision early next year. More than 210 organizations have called on the state legislature to repeal it, and you can make a difference by urging the legislature to reverse their decision." The meeting will be held at noon on January 28 at the Caspar Community Center (15051 Caspar Road, Caspar, CA

In mid-December the U.S. League continued to lobby for adoption of the ERA.

This weekend marks 100 years since the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) was first introduced in the US Congress. Today, the League is joining our partners in the ERA Coalition, marching from the White House to the US Capitol and calling on the federal government to take action and finally publish the amendment in the US Constitution. We will not stop fighting to ensure that everyone is represented

Here is a statement from Jessica Jones Capparell, of the national office:

live in apartments or homes that use less electricity. The Utility Tax will

harm millions of working people and the environment.

Medicare

questions. See more here.

Utility Fees

Center on January 28:

to the grid.

League is still pushing

After 100 years

are below, and we hope to see you there!

combat discrimination, and pave the way for additional legislative progress. A congressional resolution affirming the validity of the ERA as part of the Constitution is now before Congress. In April, the Senate voted in support of this resolution with a bipartisan majority, but it fell short of the 60-vote threshold to overcome a filibuster. The Senate can reconsider the resolution, and the House can bring it to the floor, but we need your help to tell Congress that we demand equality now. Inequality hurts everyone. One hundred years is far too long to wait for equality, and we can't stop until it is won. Take one minute to urge Congress to support the Equal Rights Amendment now!

The League of Women Voters of Mendocino County wishes to honor the land we are on and its native peoples. We want to offer recognition and respect; to counter the "doctrine of discovery" with the true story of the people who were already here; to support larger truth-

happening. We acknowledge that the land where we live and work is un-ceded territory of indigenous peoples since time began. We are surrounded by the traditional, ancestral

telling and reconciliation efforts; and to remind ourselves that colonization is still

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territory and current homeland of many indigenous nations.

Links

LWV Mission Statement The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, strives to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy 2024-03-05/1; https://lwvc.org/ballot-measure/prop-1-2024/no-on-prop-1/

Candidate forums: https://www.city.fortbragg.com Citizenship: civicnebraska.org Voter information: https://www.vote411.org/ Measure 1: https://cavotes.org/ballot-measure/prop-1-2024/; quickguidetoprops.sos.ca.gov/propositions/ Betty Barber: https://myemail.constantcontact.com/2024---MLT-Monthly---January-2024.html? soid=1116179665721&aid=I RTsy-bv Y LCP Update: https://www.grassroots-institute.org/vision; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kK-h-twVrSk;

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Learning: http://tinyurl.com/mv2bxuv3; bf3a-672b9216f0c7

in our democracy! The ERA will enshrine equality of rights under the law regardless of sex in the Constitution. It has met all ratification requirements but has yet to be added to the Constitution, leaving more than half the population unprotected from discrimination. Tell your elected officials that equality belongs in the Constitution. The problem of sex discrimination is clear in our ongoing fights against unequal pay, workplace harassment, pregnancy discrimination, domestic violence, limited access to comprehensive health care, and more. The ERA would prevent the further rollback of equal rights, provide a vital tool to the judicial branch to

Land Acknowledgement

Equal Rights Amendment