

## HUMBOLDT PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS

CLUB RESOLUTION

11/19/2017

### ***Admonishing State Assembly Member Jim Wood***

**WHEREAS** the 2016 California Democratic Party platform states, "California Democrats believe that healthcare is a human right not a privilege" and the California Democratic Party has been on record for over a decade in support of a single payer system to guarantee universal healthcare for all in California and as recently as August of this year by unanimous vote the executive board of the California Democratic Party endorsed SB 562, the Healthy California Act which would guarantee health coverage to all Californians and eliminate premiums, deductibles and other out-of-pocket health costs, and

**WHEREAS** this past Summer the Speaker of the Assembly moved unilaterally to place SB562 in suspension in the Rules Committee preventing any action to move the bill forward; and Assembly Member Jim Wood, Chair of the Health Committee refused to stand against the Speaker and has embarked on a series of sham show hearings which Mr. Wood admits: "The purpose of a select committee is not to bring a bill forward," and he has totally ignored all the work of activists to encourage him to act to move the bill, and

**WHEREAS** officials and members of the California Democratic Party and the Humboldt County Democratic Central Committee have a duty and obligation to represent the will of the people and to hold elected officials accountable to their constituents,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Humboldt Progressive Democrats formally admonishes State Assembly Member Jim Wood for acting in opposition to SB 562, for failing to take any steps to move this legislation forward, and for failing to consult with his constituents about his opposition to this legislation, and for ignoring the clear will of the Democratic Party, community members, and stakeholders regarding SB 562.

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