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# CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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## PROACTIVE ENERGY LEGISLATION

**WHEREAS:** Hurricane Katrina, through its damage to petroleum pumping, refining and distribution infrastructure, has amplified once again our dangerous dependence on petroleum products; and

**WHEREAS:** In the face of rising worldwide demand for petroleum products, in light of the damage that dependence on those products does to our ecology and economy, and understanding the threat that the concentration of petroleum in a few regions of the world poses to our vital national interest, and recognizing that nevertheless, this Republican President and Republican Congress, have failed to further any policy to resolve this dangerous dependence; and

**WHEREAS:** Hurricane Katrina made it clear again that our dependence on petroleum is so extreme that any shocks to our oil supply will be to the manifest injury of the United States, with the weakest among us bearing the greatest brunt as seen, for example, in escalating gasoline prices

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That we call on the President and the Congress to repeal the dangerous provisions of the recently passed Energy Bill and enact proactive energy legislation and regulations (including the promotion of conservation and alternative fuels) which will protect our environment, support economic growth, distribute the economic burdens equitably, and protect our vital national interests.

Approved by the Santa Clara County Central Committee

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