Resolution Condemning the Remarks of Anaheim Councilwoman Lucille Kring

Whereas, our elected officials are bound by oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States and our nation's laws, which includes protecting the right of access to justice through the American legal system; and

Whereas, the March 2014 killing of a suspect, whom police reported had heinously shot and wounded the K-9 police dog "Bruno," was followed by a written comment by Anaheim city Councilwoman Lucille Kring that "the shooting saved us a trial. Always a good outcome," thereby rejecting the principle of access to justice; and

Whereas, Councilwoman Kring's comments jeopardized the ongoing peacemaking process between the City and its residents; be it therefore

Resolved, that the Democratic Party of Orange County thanks and celebrating K-9 officer "Bruno," expresses sympathy to Bruno's friends and admirers, encourages suspects to surrender themselves to police nonviolently, calls upon police to accept such nonviolent surrender with restraint, and supports ensuring funding sufficient to ensure that all persons facing criminal charges or trials will receive adequate legal representation; and therefore be it further

Resolved, that the Democratic Party of Orange County calls upon Councilwoman Lucille Kring to resign from the City Council as an initial step towards restoring the faith of the citizenry that our elected officials will uphold the highest principles of our administration of justice.