



Resolution #18-02

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING BREA PUBLIC ASSEMBLY ORDINANCE #1201**

**WHEREAS**, the Brea City Council, with little or no advance notice has attempted to pass Ordinance # 1201 which will severely restrict Constitutionally protected rights of free speech, public assembly and the right to petition the government throughout the downtown Brea area surrounding the District Office of Congressman Ed Royce, and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance will require advance permits for assemblies of 30 or more persons, unreasonably restrict the use of amplification devices, restrict the use of communication devices such as signs, banners and means of carrying such items and force all demonstrations responding to events occurring 72 hours prior to an assembly to City Hall property, virtually isolating such assemblies from public view, and

**WHEREAS**, such draconian infringements of constitutionally protected freedoms, promoted by Downtown Brea business owners Dwight Manley and Don Myers are a blatant attempt to protect Congressman Ed Royce, who has consistently refused to hold public constituent meetings, has refused communication with virtually all marginalized communities thus necessitating the need for numerous demonstrations at his office and has voted to systematically eliminate immigrant rights, healthcare, environmental and workplace protections, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Democratic Party of Orange County strongly condemns this unprecedented attack on the Constitution of the United States and its citizens, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that The Democratic Party of Orange County does hereby urge the City of Brea to publicly call for the removal of Congressman Royce's office from the City of Brea unless and until he resumes communication with his constituents through town hall meetings and general correspondence as is his public responsibility.

**Adopted by the Democratic Party of Orange County  
At its January 22, 2018 Central Committee Meeting**