



Adopted by the Central Committee on Monday January 26

**CALLING ON GOVERNOR TO APPLY FOR ALL APPLICABLE WAIVERS ALLOWING CALIFORNIA TO IMPLEMENT A SINGLE-PAYER HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WITHIN THE FIRST 100 DAYS OF THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION**

WHEREAS, the Orange County Democratic Central Committee (OCDCC) recognizes that the COVID-19 Pandemic has laid bare the inherent failures and inequities of our current healthcare system; people of color and underserved communities have disproportionately paid with their lives, and the social and economic destruction caused by the pandemic was only made worse under a system not designed to deliver healthcare to everyone; and

WHEREAS, the California Democratic Party Platform recognizes “health care is a human right, not a privilege,” and calls for a “publicly-funded single-payer” system, now more than ever, California needs to be a leader in delivering healthcare for all; and

WHEREAS, when President Joe Biden takes office, California Governor Gavin Newsom will have the opportunity to apply for the Sec.1332 State Innovation Waiver afforded under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and any other applicable waivers needed to allow California to pursue a single-payer healthcare system; Governor Newsom ran on a single-payer platform and on his first day in office urged the Trump Administration and other lawmakers to allow states like California to innovate and tear down federal obstacles to help solve some of its most pressing problems such as the current health care emergency; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the OCDCC calls on Governor Newsom to apply, within the first 100 days of the Biden Administration, for the Sec.1332 State Innovation Waiver and any other applicable waivers needed which will allow California to create a single-payer healthcare system as permitted by the ACA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the OCDCC will send this resolution to Governor Newsom.

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