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## CDP Veterans Caucus Membership Meeting

Friday, February 26, 2016, 4:45 – 6:30 pm

Location: Room LL21F, San Jose Convention Center in San Jose, CA

# MINUTES

1	Called to Order at 4:45 pm; Pledge of Allegiance; Ceremony of the Chairs
2	Verified Quorum
3	August 15, 2015 Caucus Membership Meeting Minutes Adopted; Motion/Seconded Handy/Newman
4	Chair's Report – Introduced Board Officers and solicited volunteers for 3 Standing Committees
5	Veteran of the Year Award – Kim Martinez
6	Veterans Organization of the Year Award – No Exceptions; Katey Van Dam accepted award on behalf of No Exceptions
7	John F. Kennedy Award – Secretary of State Alex Padilla
8	Veterans Caucus Chair Award – Chef Basil Kimbrew
9	Steve Dunwoody, Senior Advisor to VoteVets.org in California, spoke about candidates in CA who are veterans in upcoming elections and explained the work of VoteVets.org
10	Los Angeles City Mayor Eric Garcetti spoke about LA's Housing Homeless Veterans Program
11	CA Attorney General Kamala Harris gave a short inspirational speech
12	Tom Steyer of NextGen Climate spoke about climate change and the need for voters to vote
13	Senate Pro Tem Kevin DeLeon gave a short inspirational speech
14	Cecily Hintzen of Compassion & Choices (Right to Die) spoke about the provisions of the new law and that the VA cannot honor it because federal laws trumps state laws
15	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Chair – Legislative Committee Report on bills introduced in CA and the Committee's process
16	Underserved Committee Report
17	Treasurer's Report: \$4,189.81 bank account balance with 135 active members
18	Adjourned at 6:32 pm

*Next Caucus Membership Meeting – June 17-19, 2016 in Long Beach, CA*