



North Valley Democratic Club *of Los Angeles*

Positions on Propositions

- **No on 14: Bonds for stem-cell research**
We needed the state to fund stem-cell research when the federal government stopped funding it under GWB. That doesn't apply now, so it is time for this to end.
- **Yes on 15: Property tax split roll**
Corporations should pay their fair share of taxes. They've gotten a bigger break than homeowners, and that was never the intention of 1978's Prop 13. This protects homeowners and small businesses while getting the big corporations to pay a fair amount.
- **Yes on 16: Restore affirmative action**
Discrimination is still with us and has even moved into the White House. We need to account for ways in which past discrimination has hurt people.
- **Yes on 17: Allow released felons to vote**
They've paid their debt to society. We need to reintegrate them.
- **Yes on 18: Allow 17-year-olds to vote in primaries**
If they will be old enough to participate in the general election, they will be allowed to participate in the corresponding primary election. This gets young people more involved by allowing participation from the beginning of the process rather than jumping into the middle.
- **No on 19: Realtors' plan for property tax changes**
While there are good parts to this, it gives away too much to the rich by allowing a low assessment to be transferred to a new, more expensive home.
- **No on 20: Harsher sentencing**
Our prison system is a failure, and more of the same is not the answer.
- **Yes on 21: Local rent control**
Give local governments the power to decide for themselves what will work to produce fair rents and growth.
- **No on 22: Exempt Lyft/Uber drivers from employment law**
Drivers deserve the same protections as everyone else. If they do work at the direction of a company, they should receive the benefits of being employees.
- **Yes on 23: Dialysis regulation**
Don't believe dialysis-company commercials. They won't shut down their profitable businesses because of the sensible regulations that this authorizes. They currently fall into cracks that keep their operations and costs unregulated, and that has to end.
- **No on 24: Internet privacy**
There are good ideas in this, but there are huge giveaways to corporations like Google and Facebook. The legislature will not be able to change these intentional giveaways.
- **Yes on 25: End cash bail**
The cash-bail system is unfair to the poor. The privatization of bail through bail bonds has turned it into a huge business and changed to intent of refundable bail into a fine you lose before you ever get a trial. There are better ways such as GPS to ensure people come back to court, and we need to switch to new technology.