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November 18, 1954

Mr. Alan Cranston, President
California Democratic Council of Clubs
12370 Hilltop
Los Altos, California

Dear Mr. Cranston:

We Democrats have a lot to be thankful for -- in Southern California we gained a State Senator (what a good one Dick Richards will make) and we gained four Assembly seats held previously by Republicans as well as three more Assembly seats in which there was no incumbent. This makes for a good Democratic Thanksgiving.

But we must prepare ourselves and our Party so that we will have a much greater Thanksgiving two years from now.

To do this we need to do some early planning.

In this first year of the endorsement process there were a few instances where the Clubs made endorsements where DDD did not. Where this occurred, about 70% of those endorsed were nominated.

In a few instances DDD made endorsements where the Clubs did not and where this occurred a little over 70% of those endorsed were nominated.

But where both the Clubs and DDD endorsed over 96% of those endorsed were nominated.

We feel, therefore, that it's obvious that endorsements should be made with all active elements of the Party participating in the endorsement.

The Board of Directors has requested the officers of DDD to act as a Committee empowered to meet and work with representatives of the Council and the Clubs to the end that a co-ordinated and carefully worked out schedule of joint conventions for the state and the local districts is agreed upon and arranged just as the Council and DDD arranged and held the joint convention in Fresno this year.

In this way we will be united in our endorsements and in our campaigning.

Thus the united strength of the Democratic Party may be utilized towards returning our government to the majority of the people - the Democrats.

When would it be convenient for representatives of the Clubs and Young Democratic Clubs to meet with us to start making the plans necessary to make this a Democratic State?

Sincerely,


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