**Support for SB 562 (Lara and Atkins) – The Californians For A Healthy California Act**

**Whereas,** all residents of the state have a human right to health care, and universal access to reliable, comprehensive health care is necessary for a healthy, productive population; and

**Whereas**, those who cannot access needed health care may, as a result, be unable to maintain employment, contribute to the economy, learn in school, or live a full, dignified life; and

**Whereas,** California’s present health care system creates insecurity for all, even those with health insurance, who suffer unpredictable coverage, cancellations, little choice of providers, decreased benefits, and increased premiums, co-pays, and deductibles; and

**Whereas,** rising health care costs, and cost shifting from insurance companies to patients are creating serious economic problems for employers and employees by undermining wages and pensions, pricing individual purchasers out of the market, escalating the number of uninsured and underinsured, and placing significant financial strain on public institutions; and

**Whereas,** a universal, single-payer health insurance system, with consolidated financing and an accountable public structure, has been predicted in numerous studies to result in greater efficiency, lower costs to businesses, individuals, and government; and

**Whereas,** previous efforts to reform our health care system, notably the Affordable Care Act, did not result in a universal, comprehensive and affordable health care system, and even these programs are now under attack; and

**Whereas,** it is imperative that California protect its citizens by establishing a truly universal comprehensive system, which controls costs, and with eligibility based on residency; and

**Whereas,** SB 562 is efficient, eliminating waste by consolidating the functions of many insurance companies into one comprehensive public plan, thus saving consumers and the state billions annually;

**Now, therefore be it resolved** that Fontana Democratic Club supports universal access to health care for all Californians through SB562 (Lara/Atkins), the Californians For A Healthy California Act, and urges our legislative representatives to work for passage of this bill.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Fontana Democratic of the City of Fontana, California, at the regular monthly membership meeting held on the 22nd day of April, 2017.

I, Manuel Saucedo, Secretary of the Fontana Democratic Club, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is the actual Resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Fontana Democratic Club at a regular meeting of said Fontana Democratic Club on the 22nd day of April 2017, by the following to -wit:

**AYES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:**

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Secretary of the Fontana Democratic Club

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President of the Fontana Democratic Club