

March 14th, 2022

RE: DPSFV Supports Expanding Sheriff Eligibility So All Registered Voters May Run for Sheriff

The Honorable Senator Scott Wiener:

On behalf of the Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley (DPSFV), we would like to express our disappointment regarding the removal of original language in the former version of SB 271, which would have restored California's long-standing eligibility criterion for candidates seeking the office of Sheriff.

We would like to offer our support for any future legislation you may introduce that would aim to accomplish the same expansion.

DPSFV was founded in 1978 and is chartered by the Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee. Our organization is the coordinating body for a coalition of Democratic Clubs located in the Assembly Districts which are wholly or partially in the San Fernando Valley.

The DPSFV Political Action Committee met last month to discuss the gut and amend of SB 271 and voted to recommend that the DPSFV Executive Board reach out to your office, as we are doing here. In order for us to be as helpful as possible, we request the following information:

- What were the circumstances that made you decide to change SB 271? And is there anything DPSFV can do to prevent those circumstances in the future?
- Do you plan to reintroduce the same legislation in a new bill aimed at expanding who is eligible to run for Sheriff?
- If so, how can DPSFV help to get this vital legislation passed and signed?

We would also like to invite you, or a member of your staff, to join us at one of our future virtual meetings to discuss how we can be of assistance.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Chair Sean M. Rivas

Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley

cc: Assembly Members Kalra, Wicks, Lee, McCarty and Ting Senator Skinner