Peace and Freedom Party of California
Legislative Committee

January 31, 2017
Honorable Kevin de Leon
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: SB 54 – (de Leon): California Values Act
SUPPORT

Dear Senator de Leon:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Peace and Freedom Party of California to support SB 54. We have a long history, starting 50 years ago, of supporting human rights. A part of the platform of Peace and Freedom Party reads: "Full rights for all immigrant workers. No human is illegal. Stop ICE raids. Stop jailing and deporting immigrants." and "full political, social and economic rights for resident non-citizens."

As we understand it, the California Values Act (SB 54) would help protect the safety of all Californians by ensuring that state and local resources are not used to fuel mass deportations, separate families, or divide Californians on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, immigration status, or national or ethnic origins. More directly, the California Values Act will help by:

* Ensuring California schools, hospitals and courthouses remain safe and accessible to all California residents regardless of immigration status.
* Banning state and local resources from being used to facilitate the creation of a national registry based on religion.
* Preventing state agencies from collecting or sharing immigration information from individuals unless necessary to perform agency duties.

For these reasons we support SB 54 and urge its passage. To discuss our position on SB 54 further, please contact me at (916) 320-9186 (mobile) or ctwebervoters@att.net or our State Chair, Kevin Akin, at (951) 675-2813 (mobile).

Sincerely,

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