February 19, 2019

The Honorable Dr. Shirley N. Weber
Member, California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3123
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 392 (Weber/McCarty) Support

Dear Assemblymember Weber:

The Peace and Freedom Party of California, first qualified for the ballot in California over 50 years ago in reaction to the “Vietnam War” and the racist treatment of black and other people of color. Social, economic, and environmental justice has been a hallmark of the party since 1967. We are dedicated to real democracy, environmentalism, feminism, racial equality and socialism. We represent poor people especially those from the ghettos and barrios, those without a voice and those without hope.

Peace and Freedom Party supports AB 392, which redefines the circumstances under which a homicide by a peace officer is deemed justifiable. This bill prescribes the circumstances under which a peace officer is authorized to use deadly force. While we do not feel that this bill would have changed the either the circumstances leading to the death of Stephon Clark or the results of the investigations, we do feel that it is a step in the right direction. California needs to change the rules for when police can use deadly force. We hope that changing this standard will mean that officers will be trained to use deadly force less often, and it will be easier to hold officers accountable when they shoot and kill unnecessarily.

Because of these and other reasons Peace and Freedom Party supports AB 392. If you have any questions regarding this bill, you may contact me at (916) 422-5395 or CTheBaVeR@att.net

We urge the members of the State Assembly to vote Yes on AB 392.

Sincerely,

C. T. Weber
Peace and Freedom Party of California
Legislative Committee Chair