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SAN BERNARDINO -- OCTOBER 12, 2022 -- Following the release over the weekend of an audio recording made last fall of three Los Angeles City Council members and the head of the LA County Federation of Labor, the San Bernardino County Democratic Party joins with Democratic organizations throughout the state in calling for the resignation of all parties on heard on the tape.

"We were absolutely stunned and appalled to hear these racist and homophobic statements from elected officials," said Kristin Washington, SBCDP Chair. "There is no room for hateful sentiment from anyone in any type of leadership position, especially from members of the Democratic Party. We call for Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León to immediately follow the lead of Ron Herrera and Nury Martinez and resign from office."

"The Democratic Party is making deliberate efforts to bring diverse groups together to create policy and solutions that benefit everyone. Rather than unifying, the voices on that tape seemed determined to use prejudice and stereotypes to push groups further apart." Continued Washington, "Equally concerning is the possible corruption of the Los Angeles redistricting process. This piece of the audio must not be overlooked. Citizens throughout the state worked tirelessly to provide input into state and municipal redistricting processes last year. We are offended to hear elected officials casually discussing divvying up their voters. Elected officials do not get to pick their voters. A thorough investigation is needed to ensure the residents of Los Angeles receive a fair redistricting process."

The SBCDP is comprised of a mix of elected officials and rank-and-file Democrats from around the County. The organization represents the 473,190 registered Democrats in the County. The San Bernardino County Democratic Party meets on the 4th Thursday of each month (via Zoom for the duration of the pandemic). To learn more about the Party and how you can participate, visit our website at <https://www.sanbernardinodemocrats.org>.

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