

**RESOLUTION OF THE METROPOLITAN-GREATER OAKLAND  
DEMOCRATIC CLUB CALLING FOR THE ABOLITION OF EXECUTIONS  
IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**Enacted by the MGO Membership on October 23, 2008**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Metropolitan-Greater Oakland (MGO) Democratic Club calls for the abolition of executions in California because of the risk that:

- 1) innocent persons may be executed;
- 2) direct or indirect discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, county of prosecution, or economic status may affect the choice of who should receive a death sentence, and
- 3) unfair and unreliable death sentences may be imposed as the result of inadequate representation by defense counsel and/or improper conduct by the police and prosecution.