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Endorses Signature-Gathering Effort for “Health Insurance for Every California Child”

San Jose, CA (January 12, 2006) – The Santa Clara County Democratic Party (<http://sccdp.org>) has passed a resolution supporting passage of the Children’s Health Initiative, which would add a \$2.60 per pack cigarette tax to generate \$2.27 billion for health-related programs to support:

- **Children’s health insurance**
- **Hospital emergency care services**
- **Prevention, treatment and research of diseases such as cancer, lung disease, and asthma**
- **Programs to help prevent kids from smoking and help smokers quit**
- **Nursing education and training**
- **Primary care community clinics that serve uninsured children and adults**

The California Democratic Party values and works for universal health care and has made universal health care a Democratic Party priority.

The full resolution can be read at (<http://sccdp.com/resolutions.php>).

The Santa Clara County Democratic Party strives to build, sustain, and use our collective power to enable good Democratic candidates to win elections at all levels and to fight for important Democratic values such as first class schools, affordable healthcare, quality jobs, safe communities, innovative energy policies, reliable Social Security, a clean environment, and honest and open government.