Resolution to Support COVID-19 Sick and Quarantine Pay for Essential Workers

WHEREAS, many non-medical employees and contractors (e.g. gig workers) have been deemed "essential" yet have little or no sick pay; and

WHEREAS those diagnosed with COVID-19 may have a month or more of time in which they are unable to work; and

WHEREAS if an essential worker or a member of their household is suspected of having COVID-19 they must quarantine for at least 14 days to ensure both their and others' safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee supports the requirement that all essential employees and contractors be provided with specific COVID-19 sick and quarantine time off, at full pay, until their doctor determines that it is safe for both them and others that they can return to work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be sent to our county, state and congressional representatives, as well as the California Democratic Party, for action.

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