#### UNITED REPUBLICANS OF CALIFORNIA (UROC)

#### **BALLOT RECOMMENDATIONS**

"Every Member a Lobbyist for the U.S. Constitution"
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NO	Prop. 30 - Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding. Constitutional Amendment. (Competes with Props. 38 and 39.) "Temporarily" raises state sales taxes for 4 years from 7.25% to 7.5%; and Gov. Jerry Brown's 7-year tax increase from 1- to 3-percent on individuals making over \$250,000; no accountability on funds being directed to education; money is used for the CA High Speed Rail and the "train to nowhere"; changes the CA Constitution to eliminate state funding for open meetings of local governments under the Ralph M. Brown Act. Watch for local governments paying more, getting less, and legislative bodies doing more behind closed doors! An end to public input!!
NO	Prop. 31 - State Budget. State and Local Government. Constitutional Amendment & State Statute. This phony proposition is actually the beginning of the U.N.'s Agenda 21 and the end of Prop. 13. Under Prop. 13, the Legislature needed a 2/3 majority to raise taxes. Under Prop. 31, laws/taxes could be raised with a simple 50% plus one! Changes California from a republic to a democracy. Plan on sky-rocketing property taxes if this proposition passes!
YES	Prop. 32 - Political Contributions by Payroll Deduction. Contributions to Candidates. State Statute. This is the "Paycheck Protection" Initiative. Prop. 32 RESTRICTS unions from using payroll-deducted funds for political purposes. Applies same use restrictions to payroll deductions, if any, by corporations or government contractors. Prohibits union and corporate contributions to candidates and their committees. You may now use your money voluntarily to support the candidate of your choice
NO	Prop. 33 - Auto Insurance Companies. Prices based on Driver's History of Insurance Coverage. State Statute. In 2010, Prop. 14 (sponsored by Mercury Insurance) and similar to Prop. 33 - was wisely defeated by California voters. Prop. 33 deregulates the insurance industry, making big insurance companies less accountable – which is why this measure is 99% funded by an insurance billionaire whose company, Mercury Insurance, has a record of overcharging consumers. The CA Dept. of Insurance says Mercury has "a deserved reputation for abusing its customers and intentionally violating the law with arrogance and indifference."
NO	<b>Prop. 34 - Death Penalty. State Statute.</b> Prop. 34, if passed, would allow inmates sentenced to death to serve a life sentence without the possibility of parole. The death penalty <i>is</i> a deterrent to crimes which might otherwise include murder. There are over 700 heinous murderers sitting on Death Row in San Quentin who would love to exchange their sentences for life imprisonment.
NO	Prop. 35 - Human Trafficking. Penalties. State Statute. This is not about saving women and girls from sex trafficking, it is about asset confiscation. Because of its deliberately vague definition of "pimp," a man caught in a consensual sexual act with a prostitute, could be prosecuted as a "human trafficker" and, if convicted, forced to register as a sex offender for life! In addition, his assets could be confiscated to the benefit of law-enforcement agencies and non-profits, e.g., the California Association of Highway Patrolmen, the California Police Chief Association, the Latino

Peace Officers Association (State of Calif.), Planned Parenthood, NOW, etc. and is endorsed by Sen. Barbara Boxer, Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom, and Rep. Jackie Speier, among other Democrats.

<u>Prop. 36 - Three Strikes Law. Repeat Felony Offenders. Penalties. State Statute.</u> Would continue to keep felony offenders behind bars, even if third strike is not a felony conviction. A third strike could include "firearms possession." Unfortunately, "firearms possession" could relate to a supporter of the Second Amendment whose only crime could be possessing firearms.

## YES

<u>Prop. 37 - Genetically Engineered Foods. Labeling. State Statute.</u> This proposition crosses party and socio-economic lines. It gives us a right to know what is in our food and whether we want to feed it to our families. Over 40 countries around the world require labeling on GMO food, why shouldn't Californians have the same benefit? References: "The World According to Monsanto" (DVD), "Seeds of Deception" (book).

## NO

**Prop. 38 - Tax to Fund Education and Early Childhood Programs. State Statute.** This is a tax competing against Jerry Brown's Prop. 30 and Prop. 39. It seems that there is a tax "for the children's education" just about every election; however, there isn't any accountability as to where the money goes or how it is handled. Although the signatures gathered were turned in before Jerry Brown's tax increase (Prop. 30), Gov. Brown wanted his tax measure on the ballot first so he passed a law that all propositions that changed the CA Constitution had to be put first on the ballot. (Since when does a "temporary" tax require a change in the CA Constitution?)

# NO

Prop. 39 - Tax Treatment for Multistate Businesses. Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency Funding. State Statute. Repeals existing law giving multi-state businesses an option to choose a tax liability formula that provides favorable tax treatment for businesses with property and payroll outside California. Allegedly this tax scheme will create clean energy jobs in California; however, taxes kill jobs by sucking money out of the private sector. Similar claims about green jobs were made about Assembly Bill 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006. AB 32, however, did not prevent state unemployment from sky-rocketing well above the national average. California's real unemployment problem is not a lack of green-energy jobs but the state's severe anti-jobs climate, to which AB 32 and this proposition would contribute further.

#### NO

**Prop. 40 - Redistricting. State Senate Districts. Referendum. State Statute.** A "Yes" vote approves; a "No" vote rejects the new State Senate districts drawn by the Citizens Redistricting Commission. If the new districts are rejected, the State Senate district boundary lines will be adjusted by officials supervised by the California Supreme Court.

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