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## Sonoma County Democratic Party

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1                   **SONOMA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**  
2                   **SUPPORTING INTRODUCTION AND PASSAGE OF THE CITIZEN-INITIATED AMERICAN**  
3                   **WORLD SERVICE CORPS**

4   **WHEREAS:** The World Service Corps (WSC) cost-effectively involves more than a million  
5 skilled, can-do Americans aged 18-60+ in working on world and domestic problems, and  
6 thereby gives them a deeper understanding, concern for and ability to practically address  
7 domestic and international policy needs, while raising America's political IQ; and

8   **WHEREAS:** The WSC invests in America's education, health and economy through tuition,  
9 medical savings or IRA account investments, (which at \$15,000 is one-sixth of the recruitment  
10 bonus presently offered to military recruits) to those who complete WSC service and thereby  
11 helps strengthen our knowledge of world and domestic needs, educational and economic  
12 competitiveness and our citizenry's understanding of and voting on public policy needs at home  
13 and in the world; and

14   **WHEREAS:** A one-million strong WSC offers a cost-effective, robust, peaceful army to  
15 augment our courageous 1.4 million military personnel; and thereby productively answers the  
16 increasingly alarming and costly spread of the critically dangerous "Ugly American" image,  
17 terrorist recruitment, poverty, environmental degradation and misunderstandings that inspire  
18 hatred, by involving many more of America's best assets, its concerned, patriotic citizens, in  
19 addressing worldwide needs;

20   **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Sonoma County Democratic Central Committee  
21 proclaims our support for the introduction and passage of the AWSC concepts into legislation,  
22 which encompasses the goal espoused by President Kennedy's words: "And so, my fellow  
23 Americans: ask not what your country can do for you--ask what you can do for your country. My  
24 fellow citizens of the world: ask not what America will do for you, but what together we can do  
25 for the freedom of man;" and

26   **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sonoma County Democratic Central Committee  
27 distribute copies of this resolution to Senators Feinstein and Boxer, members of the US House  
28 of Representatives, California Senate, and California Assembly representing Sonoma County,  
29 to such media outlets as the Public Relations Committee may deem appropriate; and to  
30 Democratic clubs in Sonoma County, and to all other California county Democratic central  
31 committees for consideration and support; and that the Sonoma County Democratic Central  
32 Committee transmit such correspondence as may advance the principles of this resolution.

33   The Sonoma County Democratic Central Committee adds its support, as did the California State  
34 Democratic Party on January 28, 2006, to Peoples Lobby's citizen-initiated American World  
35 Service Corps Congressional Proposals, which by the seventh year after its enactment will add  
36 one million additional American volunteers into serving country and world through such  
37 organizations as the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, Habitat for Humanity, Head Start, Doctors  
38 Without Borders, Red Cross, International Rescue Committee, OxFam, Mercy Corps, and State  
39 Conservation Corps.

40   Adapted from Dwayne Hunn, Executive Director, People's Lobby  
41   Distinguished Senior Consultant for Public Policy, OPS-Alaska

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