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Dear ladies and gentlemen,

On this Memorial Day, we remember and honor all who served and sacrificed for this great nation. So many thousands upon thousands of young men and women gave their lives away for our freedom. But sadly, today this administration is taking away our freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The government likes to decide how you would like to live your life: this is not a free America – this is a socialist country, when government is involved in your life and tells you how to live. It's not America anymore; it's socialist. But remember – we will not give our home away. We will protect our country and we will fight for our country!

Government is a few thousand people. Americans who love this country are millions and millions! We will sacrifice our lives to keep America free again! Friends, God always will protect this great country, and it's our turn to fight for our freedom!

Ronald Reagan:

“...and if words cannot repay the debt we owe these men, surely with our actions we must strive to keep faith with them and with the vision that led them to battle and to eternal sacrifice.”

Love you America.

Lydia Kanno

And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free

Next Meeting: May 9th, 2023

Time: 11:30

Masonic Center of Modesto

*800 Rose Ave, Modesto

*COST: \$22 per person

*RSVP (209) 567-3399 or

ModestoRWF@gmail.com



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****RSVP REQUIRED!! NO LATER than the Saturday PRIOR!**

You can pay for your membership or

Your lunch on our website:

Modestorwf.com

*Truly He is my rock and my
salvation; he is my fortress,
I will not be shaken.*

~Psalm 62:6 NIV

Upcoming

Dates/Events:

May 9th – Luncheon meeting

May 14th – Mother's Day

May 20th – Armed Forces Day

May 29th – Memorial Day

Membership

Renewal = 36

New = 10

Associate = 10





MAY FEATURED SPEAKER:

Stanislaus County Supervisor District 3

★ **Terry Withrow** ★



Terry Withrow has lived in the Modesto area most of his life. He attended St. Stanislaus School and Central Catholic High School. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration with a Concentration in Accounting from California State University, Stanislaus in 1982.

He became a Certified Public Accountant in 1984. Withrow Koftinow & Baggett, LLP is a full service accounting firm located in downtown Modesto that is committed to delivering value to businesses and individuals. WKB has been serving the Central Valley since 1990. He also farms almonds and grapes.

Terry has been active in our community over the last 30 years. He helped found St. Luke's Family Practice and the Stanislaus County Farmland Trust. He is also a past board member of Woodland Avenue Fire District, Gallo Center for the Arts, Central Catholic High School and the Stanislaus County Assessment Appeals Board. Mr. Withrow began his first term as Stanislaus County's Supervisor for District 3 on January 4, 2011.

Terry and his wife, Christen, have four children: Michael, Jenavieve, Molly, and Emma. He is a member of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church.



President's Message

Dear Members & Associates,

We extend a huge "thank you" to Stanislaus County GOP Chairman – Joel Campos.

He inspired us with his future goals and plans to strengthen the Republican party!

The Stanislaus County GOP Lincoln Day Dinner was a fun evening for all. It was refreshing to hear Congressman Tom McClintock, and we enjoyed hearing from featured speaker Congressman John Duarte too.

The best we Republicans can do, is to stay informed, volunteer, don't focus on all the chaos & distraction from the Democrats, stay hopeful, and PRAY for our country!

As we observe Memorial Day, let's show our appreciation for our veterans! Buy them a cup of coffee, perhaps give them a gift card, or tell them "thank you" for their service.

We wish you a happy Mother's Day too!

Julie Carroll, President

****Good to know:**

Of your \$37 annual membership fee:

\$7 goes to CFRW

\$20 goes to NFRW

\$10 stays with Modesto RWF

April 17, 2023

From the Desk of CFRW President Mary Ervin

Prepared by CFRW Legislative Analyst Jeanne Solnordol



Capitol Update



**FEEL FREE TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR CLUB MEMBERS,
IN YOUR NEWSLETTERS OR ON YOUR WEBSITES**

Members,

If you are interested in taking a position on a bill, you can do so by utilizing the resources at: [CA Legislature Info](#)

Assembly Bill 12, as amended, Haney. Tenancy: security deposits.

April 13, 2023	Read second time. Ordered to third reading.
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Existing law regulates the terms and conditions of residential tenancies, and prohibits a landlord from demanding or receiving security for a rental agreement for residential property, however denominated, in an amount or value in excess of an amount equal to 2 months' rent, in the case of unfurnished residential property, and an amount equal to 3 months' rent, in the case of furnished residential property, in addition to any rent for the first month paid on or before initial occupancy.

This bill would instead prohibit a landlord from demanding or receiving security for a rental agreement for residential property in an amount or value in excess of an amount equal to one month's rent, regardless of whether the residential property is unfurnished or furnished, in addition to any rent for the first month paid on or before initial occupancy.

Senate Bill 14: as amended, Grove. Serious felonies: human trafficking.

Pending: [Senate Public Safety Committee](#)

Hearing: Apr 25 @ 8:30 am in State Capitol, Room 112

Existing law defines the terms "serious felony" and "violent felony" for various purposes, including, among others, enhancing the punishment for felonies pursuant

to existing sentencing provisions commonly known as the Three Strikes Law. This bill would include human trafficking within the definition of a serious felony for all purposes, including for purposes of the Three Strikes Law. By expanding the scope of an enhancement, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

March 5, 2024, Statewide Ballot Measures:

1939. (22-0005)

REFERENDUM CHALLENGING 2022 LAW AUTHORIZING CREATION OF COUNCIL TO SET MINIMUM WAGE AND WORKING STANDARDS FOR FAST-FOOD WORKERS.

Summary Date: 09/16/22

[Final Random Sample Count: 01/24/23 \(PDF\)](#)

[QUALIFIED: 01/24/23 \(PDF\)](#)

Signatures Required: 623,212

Proponent(s): Amber Evans, Steven McDermid

If the required number of registered voters sign this petition and it is timely filed, a 2022 law will not take effect unless approved at the next statewide general or special election after November 8, 2022. The challenged law:

- Authorizes creation of Fast Food Council (upon submission of 10,000 fast-food worker signatures) to set working standards and minimum wage (up to \$22/hour in 2023, with capped annual increases) at fast-food restaurants with 100+ nationwide locations;
- Prohibits retaliation against fast-food workers for making certain workplace complaints.

Thank you Vicki Godkin, 1st Vice President:





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