



OCEAN BEACH TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION
In Support of Proposition 41
Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2014

May 14, 2014

WHEREAS, on any given night in the United States, there are 610,042 homeless persons, of which 57,849 are veterans¹; and,

WHEREAS, there are 15,179 homeless veterans within the State of California, which equates to approximately 25% of the nation's total homeless population, and is the largest population of homeless veterans in the nation²; and

WHEREAS, on any given night in San Diego County, there are 8,506 homeless persons, of which 3,985 are unsheltered³; and,

WHEREAS, San Diego County and City has the third highest population of homeless veterans (1,486) in the nation⁴; and,

WHEREAS, on any given night in the City of San Diego, there are a total of 5,199 homeless persons, of which 2,468 are unsheltered⁵; and,

WHEREAS, Prop. 41, the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Act of 2014, will be voted on in the June 3rd statewide primary election; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 41 redirects \$600 million of previously approved, unspent bond funds to construct and rehabilitate housing for California's homeless veterans; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 41 will construct affordable, supportive, and transitional housing for homeless and near homeless veterans without raising taxes; and,

WHEREAS, the passage of Prop. 41 on June 3rd will go a long way in helping to meet President Obama's pledge to end veteran homelessness by 2015; and,

¹ San Diego County Regional Task Force on the Homeless, [2014 We All Count Reports](#)

² U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Point In Time Estimates of Homelessness, [2013 Annual Homeless Assessment Report \(AHAR\) to Congress](#)

³ San Diego County Regional Task Force on the Homeless, [2014 We All Count Reports](#)

⁴ U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Point In Time Estimates of Homelessness, [2013 Annual Homeless Assessment Report \(AHAR\) to Congress](#)

⁵ San Diego County Regional Task Force on the Homeless, [2014 We All Count Reports](#)

WHEREAS, it is unacceptable and a tragedy to have our nation's heroes – military veterans who put their lives on the line for our freedom and protection – live and die on our streets without dignity; and

WHEREAS, the OBTC is committed to promoting the general betterment of Ocean Beach and the welfare of its residents, including our homeless residents, and to fostering cooperative efforts among all community organizations and residents for their mutual benefit; and, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Beach Town Council endorses and supports Proposition 41 – the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2014 – and encourages all Obecians to support this ballot initiative; and be it further

RESOLVED by the Ocean Beach Town Council Board of Directors that this resolution shall be sent to, but not limited to: the Office of Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins, San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer and members of the City Council of San Diego; the Ocean Beach Main Street Association; the Ocean Beach Planning Board; other local community groups; local media outlets, and members of the Ocean Beach Town Council.

This Resolution in Support of Proposition 41 was passed by the Ocean Beach Town Council on May 14, 2014.