



## **Stonewall Democratic Club endorses Betsy Butler**

*Joins with Stonewall Young Democrats in supporting Butler*

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The pioneering Stonewall Democratic Club of Los Angeles and their affiliate Stonewall Young Democrats have endorsed Betsy Butler for Assembly in District 53.

Stonewall Democratic Club President John Cleary stated, “Stonewall Democratic Club is proud to endorse Betsy Butler. In addition to being a truly exemplary leader in LGBT advocacy and a supporter of marriage equality, Betsy Butler won the endorsement because she also demonstrated the greatest depth and breadth of knowledge in areas of importance to all Californians – the environment, education, and more. We are fortunate to be able to endorse in Betsy Butler a candidate who is both an unswerving champion of full legal equality and the best prepared candidate to serve all Californians.”

The Political Vice-President of the Stonewall Young Democrats, Ari Ruiz added, “This is a clear choice. None of the other candidates can demonstrate Betsy Butler’s proven history of activism and support for our rights.”

The Stonewall Democratic Club, founded in 1975, is one of the nation’s largest and oldest Democratic Clubs representing the interests of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities. Both clubs are associated with the National Stonewall Democrats, founded by Rep. Barney Frank in 1998 as coalition of more than 90 LGBT Democratic clubs across the nation.

Betsy Butler has also been endorsed by Equality California, the organization working to protect gay and lesbian civil rights at the statewide level, including leading the ongoing effort to repeal Proposition 8.