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1		SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER	
2	of the		
3	DEMOCRATS OF GREATER RIVERSIDE		
4	RULE 1. Grounds for Removal of a Member.		
5	Section 1.	Party Disloyalty.	
6 7 8 9 10 11		A member may be removed by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting for the following causes: a) Affiliating with or registering as a member of another Party; b) Publicly advocating that the electorate should not vote for the nominee of the Democratic Party for any partisan office; c) Publicly giving support or publicly avowing a preference for a candidate of another Party or a candidate who is opposed to a candidate nominated by this Party.	
12	Section 2.	Fraud and Malfeasance.	
13 14 15		A member of the Club may be removed for improper activity involving administrative practices such as mismanagement or misdistribution of funds and any other such activity, as determined by the Club.	
16	Section 3.	Section 3. Procedure.	
17 18 19 20 21 22		(a) Who May Move Removal, etc. Any official member of the Club may, at any meeting of the Club, make a motion that any other official member of the club be removed from the Club for reasons set forth in this article. The motion shall state in detail the act(s) or omission(s) which the movant considers warrant the removal of the member who is the subject of the motion.	
23 24 25 26		(b) Automatic Postponement to Next Regular Meeting. The motion to remove a member shall automatically be deemed postponed until the next meeting of the Club and shall automatically be taken up for action as an item of old or unfinished business at that meeting.	
27 28 29 30 31 32		(c) Service by Certified Service Mail. Within seven days after the making of such a motion for removal, the Secretary of the Club shall send a certified letter to the member who is the subject of the motion for removal, (hereafter known as the Cited Member) notifying the Cited Member that at the next meeting of the Club the motion will be taken up concerning the Cited Member's removal.	
33		(d) Contents of the Notice. The letter shall:	
34 35		(1) advise the Cited Member of the names of the members who made and seconded the motion;	

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- (2) advise the Cited Member that at the next meeting the Cited Member will be given an opportunity to challenge the allegation; and.
- (3) shall inform the Cited Member of the date, time and location of the next meeting.
- (e) **Notice and Opportunity to be Heard.** At the next regular meeting the aforementioned member, if present, shall be given opportunity to admit, deny and/or explain the charges lodged against her/him. An equivalent amount of time shall be made available to the maker of the motion and/or his/her spokesperson(s) to substantiate the charges. Immediately thereafter, a vote shall be taken on the motion to remove the charged member from the Club. A two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, representing no fewer than twenty-five percent of the total official membership of the club, shall be required to pass such a motion.
- (f) **Burden of Proof.** In all motions for removal, the burden of introducing evidence justifying removal shall be upon the person or persons urging the removal, who shall be required to prove the case for removal by clear and convincing evidence.