

An open letter from the past chairmen of the Nevada County Republican Central Committee—

Dear Fellow Republicans,

As the past chairmen of the Nevada County Republican Central Committee, we write to take what we believe is a rare stand—and an even rarer opportunity to express our position on what we believe to be an issue of great importance.

The Republican Party exists for the purpose of advancing Republican values. We accomplish this end by supporting the election of Republican candidates to state and local offices who share these values. Great effort is expended throughout the state and in our local areas as we work to advance the cause of conservatism.

In 2002, after years of being dominated by a runaway liberal majority on our Nevada County Board of Supervisors, we turned the tide with great efforts and retired two liberal incumbents—achieving a 3-2 GOP majority. Now, in spite of having a 5-0 “Republican” majority, our Board of Supervisors, led by **Sue Horne, has abandoned the Republican Party and its values.**

As chairmen of the Nevada County Republican Party over the same period, we made many attempts to develop a dialogue with Sue Horne and the board she led as chairman to encourage them to undertake the promised changes to Nevada County government. We brought to Sue’s attention the actions of many strident liberal department heads left in place after the change of majority control—no action was taken.

Ultimately, Sue Horne made it very clear that she had no interest in charting a conservative course for the new board of supervisors. **During the leadership of Sue Horne, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors rejected every effort of the Republican Central Committee to preserve and advance Republican concerns and values.**

Sue Horne, now a candidate for Assembly District 3, would have us ignore her weak record: Ignore that she chose to marginalize the Nevada County Republican Central Committee and its values in favor of other, more liberal organizations. Ignore that, until she wanted to run for higher office, she wanted little to do with the Republican party. Ignore that, like so many others, she became a Republican who was easily willing to compromise Republican values for the sake of expediency—relying all too often on the advice of liberal staff. This we will not do; we must not do.

Therefore we resolve to send a clear and unambiguous message that Sue Horne and every elected official in the North State who claims to be a Republican—yet abandons the Republican Party, its leaders and its values—does so at the risk of their political career. **The state and our district cannot afford to send Sue Horne to the State Assembly.**

We join with other North State conservative leaders Senator Sam Aanestad, Assemblyman Rick Keene, Senator Tim Leslie (retired), and Senator Rico Oller (retired) in rejecting Sue Horne’s campaign for 3rd Assembly District—and we **pledge our support to Dan Logue, whose Republican values have never wavered.**



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NCRCC, Past Chairman



Dick Marshall
NCRCC, Past Chairman



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NCRCC, Past Chairman

If not us, who? If not now, when?
President Ronald Reagan