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United Sovereign Americans Responds to California Secretary of State's Election Remarks

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ST. LOUIS, MO — In a recent Sacramento Bee interview, California Secretary of State Shirley Weber warned that efforts to accelerate ballot counting in the state would “come at a cost,” but Weber left Americans in the dark about what that cost might be. Her comments were a reaction to both a federal proposal from Rep. Jay Obernolte (R-CA) to require states to count 90% of federal race ballots within 72 hours, and AB 5, a California state bill authored by Assemblymember Marc Berman (D-Menlo Park), which aims to set clear timelines for ballot counting without sacrificing accuracy.

Credentialed auditors at United Sovereign Americans (USA) who analyzed Weber's official records of the 2024 election in California ask a different question: Was the extended counting period in that election the reason for Weber's abysmal failure to legally enfranchise California voters? Or is there some other cause?

California's 2024 election failed at the most basic level of election requirements—real voters, real votes, real counts, and substantiating records offering real proof of legitimate representative government. The records California maintains on behalf of both California residents, and all American citizens in regards to congressional elections, are a disaster:

- **9.5 million registered voters have errors and omissions in their records calling their eligibility into question as a matter of state and federal law;**
- **One in three votes counted in 2024 (5.5 million votes) was ascribed to these registrants;**
- **Forensic efforts to verify voter identity in Orange County revealed 297,000 potentially improper votes from fictitious registrants.**

United Sovereign Americans (USA) agrees that timing and accuracy matter—but they are not mutually exclusive.

“What's the point of fast certification if it's built on an uncertainty?” said USA Chairman Harry Haury.

“California election officials haven't bothered to validate the registrants on their rolls. That's the real cost—public trust in legitimate representative government, not efficiency. Registering false voters to game the system is as old as Rome, and is a felony under federal criminal law.”

Secretary Weber must really hate election validity, as she also pushed back against the federal SAVE Act, recently passed by the House and awaiting Senate action. The bill would require proof of U.S. citizenship to vote in federal elections—something Weber dismisses as unnecessary, citing politically motivated studies that claim noncitizen voting is rare, and previously debunked claims that imaginary laws are being broken. Meanwhile, the state's refusal to verify the eligibility of registered voters places California in direct violation of the Fourteenth Amendment and Guarantee Clause of the US Constitution.



“Show us the statute that allows election officials to count ballots from unverified voters—the very idea is preposterous,” said Haury. “If election laws protecting legal voters from disenfranchisement through illegal voting are ignored, then we don’t have representative government—we have theater.”

USA CEO Marly Hornik added, “Do we still have a Republic where legitimate American voters choose their representatives? There is no other remedy against tyranny. Real voters, real votes, real counts and real proof requires grit to pull off. Our founders had that grit, and we can’t sustain liberty by taking the word of bureaucrats like Weber over what her own records plainly show—that she has no idea who the 52 members of Congress Californians chose in 2024 actually are.”

Weber’s defense of California’s current system centers on mail-in ballot processing delays and staffing challenges in large counties like Los Angeles. But USA argues that administrative burden cannot justify constitutional shortcuts, and at least one federal judge agrees *In American Encore v. Fontes* judge Michael T. Liburdi pointed out that certification has to mean something when he asked, “what value does finality accomplish when it is attained at the expense of democracy?”

USA maintains that no amount of speed, funding, or public relations spin can compensate for the erosion of legitimate representative government. Finality cannot override validity. “The right to choose representatives is granted to the people in the third sentence of the Constitution, not Ms. Weber or any other election official. If we can’t get that right, how will we sustain our national aspiration of liberty and justice for all?,” Hornik asks.

To learn more about USA’s legal filings, forensic audits, and national framework to restore legally valid elections, visit unite4freedom.com

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