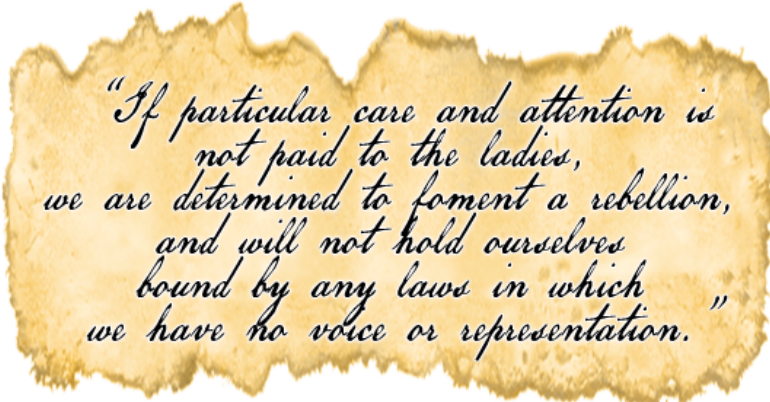






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-Abigail Adams  
March 31, 1776

July 1, 2014



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Let's take our share of responsibility for running California. We're working to find 16 extraordinary women who can win 16 priority open seats in the CA legislature in 2016. That's the rebellion we'd like you to join. It's long overdue and it won't happen without you.

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### Next up: Assembly District 78 in San Diego

Held by Madam Speaker Toni Atkins, this environmentally aware [district](#) now encompasses Imperial Beach, Coronado, Solana Beach and Del Mar.



In the years before Toni, these distinguished women represented San Diego in the CA legislature:

- Lori Saldaña, a staunch advocate of environmental legislation from reducing greenhouse gases to supporting cleaner energy alternatives.

- Christine Kehoe, known for her ardent support of LGBT rights now runs the CA Plug-In Electric Vehicle Collaborative.
- Susan Davis, currently serving in Congress, wrote the state law that allows women to choose their ob/gyn without prior consent.
- Dede Alpert, an education champ who put the interests of women and children first.
- Lucy Killea, a pro-choice leader who fought for women's reproductive freedom over the objections of the Catholic church.

Who is your nominee to follow Toni? We want to know.

Find out how we do [what we do and how we work](#) with dozens of allies.

### Hot question of the week



Who was the first San Diegan to serve as Speaker of the Assembly?

[Discuss on Facebook](#), plus find out the answer to last week's question.

### Great resources

[1st Steps](#): For women just starting to think about running

[10 Things to Do](#) Before You File Your 'Intent to Run'

Papers: For serious prospects!

### In the press

[SF Chronicle](#) on the ripple effects on CA politics if Hillary

Clinton becomes a 2016 candidate



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**close the gap CA** is a statewide campaign to find talented, progressive women to run for open seats in the California legislature in 2014 and 2016. With focus and a targeted strategy, we can 'close the gap' and not just the gender gap. When we elect progressive women, we take steps to close the school funding gap, the access gap to affordable health and reproductive care, and the growing gap between the wealthy and those in poverty.

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