Tips for Hosting a Watch Party for the Democratic National Convention

1. Make it fun!

- Consider a theme for food and ask people to bring something relevant deepdish pizza for Chicago? <u>Dosas</u> or dal for Kamala's Indian heritage? Soft pretzels or quesadillas, for the swing states of PA and AZ?
- Play WNDC's convention watch bingo printing out the bingo cards from this PDF.
- Feature the <u>Kamala Harris playlist</u>, as shared by the New York Times.
- Offer proper libations: "Reds and Whites to keep America Blue" California wines, of course or coconut-themed cocktails.
- 2. Make it purposeful! Dems are surging. Let's harness that energy. A few ideas:
 - Have VoteForward letters or postcards and addresses on hand for people to write then or take home to complete. Follow the easy directions on <u>votefwd.org</u> to download and print letters, or buy postcards in advance and get addresses from <u>ActivateAmerica.vote</u>
 - Ask people to donate funds (\$47? The cost of a night out?) to an organization that supports Get Out the Vote work in swing states. <u>Movement Voter PAC</u>, <u>Focus For Democracy</u>, <u>Working America</u>, and <u>Seed the Vote</u> all have excellent records for this work.
 - Encourage guests to post a picture and caption about your party and their enthusiasm for voting Dem. Most undecided voters are so precisely because they don't engage with politics or watch the news. They get their sense of the world from social media. Let's create a social media environment that says that everybody they know is voting for Kamala and the rest of the ticket.
 - Do a round robin at the end of the evening, asking everyone to make a commitment to do at least one thing towards our victory in November.
 Suggestions are <u>here</u> and resources are <u>here</u>: Reach out to young people they know? Write letters to or help register voters? Volunteer on a voter information hotline?
 - Suggest that your watch party guests reconvene at Winning Wednesday at the WNDC! Register <u>here.</u>