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On Saturdays, The Union gives over its entire editorial page to "Our readers write" contributors. Our objective is to give readers a greater opportunity to have their say about public issues of the day.

Unconstitutional

Editor, The Union: We oppose your Aug. 22 editorial, "Innovative welfare reform on the line," which supports Sacramento County's practice of depriving indigent single men and women of their property as a condition of receiving assistance to meet their basic survival needs.

Sacramento County Welfare Departments' general assistance policy, stopped by the Supreme Court, required victims of Reaganomics to give up their apartments, furniture, and lifelong belongings to be placed in the Bannon Street facility.

Our Constitution places high value upon peoples' property. Poor men and women are also protected by the Constitution, contrary to those who believe that it applies to the "haves" and not the "have nots."

We hope Sacramento County and others, including The Sacramento Union, will take some time out, read the document that serves as the foundation of this great nation, and realize what they are doing.

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