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More than 40 members of the Los Angeles chapter of CORE have returned in triumph from Sacramento after the dramatic, last moment passage of Rumford Assembly Bill #1240.

The bill strengthens existing legislation against discrimination in the sale and rental of houses and apartments, putting enforcement under the F.E.P.C.

16 California CORE chapters participated in the action. The Los Angeles CORE contingent was under the direction of Mrs. Mari Goldman who remained in Sacramento throughout the month-long sit-in in the Capitol Rotunda.

The CORE demonstration produced fireworks - literally- when Senator Hugh M. Burns of Fresno threw lighted firecrackers at those engaged in the sit-in. The Senator's impromptu efforts, on last Thursday and again on Friday, to discourage the CORE demonstrators, were markedly unsuccessful.

Many individuals and organizations in the Los Angeles area who are interested in establishing fair housing practises have called to congratulate CORE, crediting the organization for passage of A.B. Bill #1240.

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