

# Letter: Businessman expresses views on Kerry

**Publisher's note: *This letter was sent to South Lake Tahoe Mayor Wendy David and Lake Tahoe News.***

Dear Mayor David,

Hello, my name is Ted Kennedy. I am a partner in the following businesses in town:

Base Camp Pizza

Azul Latin kitchen

California Burger Co

Poke Rok

Outpost Brewery

Ten Crows BBQ

Lakeside Beach House

Social House Deli

Human Potential Speakeasy

Tahoe Stewards

I believe we've met briefly. And I heard you speak at the CEO meeting last month, very impressive. I don't want to stick my nose in where it doesn't belong and I certainly don't know all of the facts, but I'd like to humbly give you my 2 cents on the Nancy [Kerry] situation.

I've opened businesses in 20 different cities and towns in California in my previous life as director of real estate for Boston Market. The experience I've had dealing with Nancy and the government in general here in S. Tahoe – which at some level is a credit to her – is by far the best I've had. Proactive, positive, helpful and fair. I've been extremely impressed with the access and efficiency of Nancy and her staff and I do not believe that happens by accident.

There are always challenges and naysayers, but organizations

do not perform at this level by accident. Whatever Nancy's failings are, and we all have them, they certainly aren't reflected in the communication and services provided by the city that she's is the manager of.

Again, sorry if I am commenting where I shouldn't, but I thought it only fair that I let you know my thoughts.

Very, very respectfully,

**Ted Kennedy**