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April 23, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1020 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 172-24

Dear Governor Newsom:

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