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July 1, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 346-24

Dear Governor Newsom:

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Sincerely,

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1021 O Street, Suite 5220
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