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May 13, 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. 217-24

Dear Governor Newsom:

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The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

- One copy of Resolution No. 217-24 (File No. 240385)

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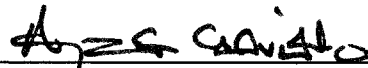
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May 13, 2024

The Honorable Matt Haney  
California State Assembly Member  
California State Capitol  
1021 O Street, Suite 5740  
P.O. Box 942849  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0017

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 217-24

Dear Assembly Member Haney:

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The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

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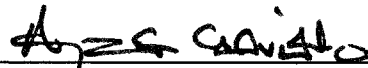
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