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The Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor, State of California
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

The Elections Legislative Committee of the California Association of Clerks and Election Officials (CACEO) urges your approval of **AB 80 (Fong)**, changing the date of the Presidential Primary Election to be consolidated with the Direct Primary Election in even-numbered years divisible by four.

While some counties have voiced increased cost concerns, and at least one county has raised concerns regarding the limitation of its voting system, particularly in light of California's new "Top-Two Primary" election rules, the Committee does support and urge your approval of this proposal. Moving the Presidential Primary back to June in even-numbered years divisible by four will help with the compacted time frames which always occur as a result of redistricting and will save costs for many counties by eliminating an entire statewide election.

Please consider our support upon your final review and determination of whether or not to sign AB 80 into law. If you or your staff have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Monterey County Elections Department, at (831) 796-1499.

Very truly yours,

Linda Tulett
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