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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Governor State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Tom Dyer

Re: CACEO Support of AB 1504

Dear Governor Brown;

The California Association of Clerks and Elections Officials is pleased to advise you of our support for AB 1504 which adds Monterey and Sacramento Counties to the pilot project for a city, county or districts to conduct all-mail ballot elections if certain conditions are met. Because of the fiscal and operational impact elections have on counties, we are hopeful for successful pilots by the now expanded pool of four counties.

The lessons learned from the experiences of these pilot counties promise significant streamlining and cost reductions in the conduct of election. We would appreciate the recognition of the challenges faced by counties in conducting elections and the willingness of these pilot counties to work in exploring options to alleviate them.

We urge you to sign AB 1504. Should you have questions regarding our position, please contact me at the Contra Costa County Election Division at <u>scott.konopasek@vote.cccounty.us</u> or (925) 335-7808.

Respectfully,

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Cc: Assembly Member Alejo, Author

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