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April 2, 2015

The Honorable Richard Roth
State Capitol, Room 4034
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Re: Restoration of State Mandates; Election Administration

Dear Senator Roth:

As elected and appointed local government officials responsible for the administration of elections and voter registration in the State of California, we respectfully request the restoration of Election Administration Mandate Funding under SB 90 in the 2015-2016 Budget.

We have been concerned that the proposed continued elimination of these services (beginning in 2011) will continue to put at-risk the integrity and transparency of the state's electoral process. Continued suspension of these reimbursed mandates could result in unequal availability of these programs amongst counties, a situation that we hope to see remedied in the upcoming budget.

We share in the desire to identify programs and services that can be reviewed for possible reduction, revision or elimination; however we believe suspension of these programs to be counter-productive.

Our California Association of Clerks and Election Officials is committed to working collaboratively toward a more cost effective and efficient elections process. At the same time, it is incumbent upon us all to ensure the transparency, security and accessibility fundamental to voter registration and the administration of elections. We welcome the opportunity to discuss this issue with you further and ask for your consideration as you deliberate on the proposed continued suspension of state mandates in those areas associated with the conduct of elections.

Sincerely,

Neal Kelley
President, CACEO
Registrar of Voters, Orange County