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The Honorable Anthony Rendon Speaker of the State Assembly State Capitol, Room 219 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Appointment of Congressman Xavier Becerra as California Attorney General - SUPPORT

Dear Speaker Rendon:

On behalf of the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA), and our 7,000 public safety professionals, a large portion of which is made up of Department of Justice (DOJ) Special Agents and Criminalists, we strongly support Congressman Xavier Becerra as California's next Attorney General. Our DOJ Special Agents and Criminalists are the rank and file members that will be under the supervision of the next Attorney General regulating and enforcing California's laws. It is under this important capacity along with his excellent qualifications and our discussions with him and more that we write to express our unanimous support, and eagerness to work with Congressman Becerra our next State Attorney General.

Our public safety professionals are oftentimes California's first responders, working directly with and in the communities they serve. With many issues facing our state's law enforcement community and uncertain federal policies, Congressman Becerra is once again an outstanding choice for California's top cop. As a former Deputy Attorney General with the California Department of Justice, working alongside shoulder to shoulder with many of our members, Congressman Becerra showed a commitment to public service, sensitivity and hands on experience in law enforcement and especially for all of California's workers. Further, he has also worked to protect federal workplace health and safety standards and has promoted diversity recruitment efforts by our nation's military service academies.

We applaud Congressman Becerra's vow to support law enforcement to cut down on crime, improve police and community relations, and uphold California's laws to the highest extent of his power.



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For these reasons, we are certain Congressman Becerra possesses the experience and ability to fulfill the role as California's next Attorney General. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me personally or our lobbyist, Shane LaVigne with Capitol Advocacy, at 916-444-0400.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Congressman Xavier Becerra Members of the State Assembly