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June 22, 2017

Cameron Smyth Mayor

Laurene Weste Mayor Pro Tem The Honorable Steve Knight
Member of Congress

1023 Longworth House Office Building

Washington, D.C. 20515

Bob Kellar Councilmember

SUBJECT: H.R. 2116 (Knight): SUPPORT

Dear Representative Knight:

Marsha McLean Councilmember

The City of Santa Clarita is pleased to support H.R. 2116, which would amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to provide a new water supply to communities impacted by perchlorate contamination plumes.

Bill Miranda Councilmember

On June 13, 2017, the Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support H.R. 2116. This bill would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in a series of water reclamation projects to provide a new water supply to effected communities, such as Santa Clarita.

It is estimated that more than half a dozen drinking-water wells in the Santa Clarita Valley have gone unused because they are contaminated with perchlorate, a potentially harmful chemical byproduct of munitions manufacturing. We believe this legislation will help facilitate groundwater clean-up as a result of contamination from the Whittaker-Bermite site.

Please let me know how the City of Santa Clarita may be of assistance to you in securing enactment of H.R. 2116. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding the Santa Clarita City Council's support of this



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bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Manager Michael Murphy at (661) 255-4384 or <a href="mmurphy@santa-clarita.com">mmurphy@santa-clarita.com</a>.

Sincerely.

Cameron Smyth

Mayor

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