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August 30, 2017

Cameron Smyth

Mayor

The Honorable Ian Calderon

California State Assembly, District 57 State Capitol Building, Room 319

Sacramento, CA 94249

Laurene Weste Mayor Pro Tem

SUBJECT: AB 1408 (CALDERON): SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Calderon:

Bob Kellar Councilmember

The City of Santa Clarita is pleased to support AB 1408, requiring the State Board of Parole Hearings to consider the entire criminal history of an inmate in determining parole eligibility.

Marsha McLean Councilmember

Bill Miranda Councilmember On August 22, 2017, the Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support AB 1408. Many cities throughout the State have experienced an increase in crime in the last 5 years. The City of Santa Clarita has seen a twenty percent increase in Part 1 crimes, including robbery, burglary, and grand theft auto, when comparing crime data from 2012 to 2016. This also included an increase in grand theft auto of over 55 percent. AB 1408 addresses some of the negative impacts of AB 109 (2011), Proposition 47 (2014), and Proposition 57 (2016) that has affected public safety in many communities.

Should you or your staff require any further information regarding the Santa Clarita City Council's position of this bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Manager Michael P. Murphy at (661) 255-4384 or mmurphy@santa-clarita.com.

Hora THIS GETS THROUGH!

Sincerely,

Cameron Smyth

Mayor

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