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March 11, 2021

Bill Miranda

Mayor

The Honorable Quirk-Silva California State Assembly, District 65

State Capitol Building, Room 6012 Sacramento, CA 94249

Laurene Weste Mayor Pro Tem

SUBJECT: AB 420 (QUIRK-SILVA): SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

Jason Gibbs Councilmember

Marsha McLean Councilmember

Cameron Smyth Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am pleased to express our support for Assembly Bill 420, relating to the modification of the tier schedule for the reopening of amusement parks to place all amusement parks in Tier 3 – Moderate, regardless of park size. At the regular meeting on March 9, 2021, the Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure.

A critical economic sector in this great state, amusement parks also serve as an important outlet for families, youth, and many members of our community, which is especially important during this significantly stressful period of time in our history. From our very own Six Flags Magic Mountain in the Santa Clarita Valley to Disneyland and Universal Studios – amusement parks are economic juggernauts that employ thousands of Californians and directly impact surrounding small businesses and the local economies of some of the most populous cities and regions in the state.

While we appreciate the state's overriding interest in keeping our communities safe, we strongly believe that large amusement parks, like Six Flags Magic Mountain, have the greatest capacity to responsibly reopen in compliance with mandated guidelines and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended protocols.

For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita supports Assembly Bill 420. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our position



on this bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Analyst Masis Hagobian at (661) 286-4057 or <a href="magabana">mhagobian@santa-clarita.com</a>.

Sincerely,

William A. Miranda

Mayor

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