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February 11, 2022

Laurene Weste
Mayor

The Honorable Melissa Melendez
California State Senate, District 28
1021 O Street, Room 7120
Sacramento, CA 95814

Jason Gibbs
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Senator Melendez:

SUBJECT: SCR 5 (MELENDEZ): SUPPORT

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am pleased to express our support for Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR 5) relating to the termination of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020. The Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure on February 8, 2022.

Bill Miranda
Councilmember

Cameron Smyth
Councilmember

Police Powers granted to the Governor under the State Constitution should only be exercised in times of extreme peril and when the State Legislature is unable to safely and adequately operate within the constraints of the State Constitution. However, as we have observed during the 2021- 22 legislative session, the Governor has issued laws through Executive Order, despite the State Legislature safely convening and proposing, analyzing, and debating legislation.

Therefore, we believe that the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, should be terminated and legislative powers should be fully restored with the State Legislature.

Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our support for SCR 5, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Analyst Masis Hagobian at (661) 286-4057 or mhagobian@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

Laurene Weste
Mayor



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