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July 17, 2023

Jason Gibbs
Mayor

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
California State Assembly, District 67
1021 O Street, Room 4210
Sacramento, CA 95814

Cameron Smyth
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

SUBJECT: AB 1308 (QUIRK-SILVA): OPPOSE

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to respectfully express our opposition to Assembly Bill 1308, related to prohibiting local governments from increasing the minimum parking required for a project that remodels, renovates, or adds to a single-family residence. The Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to oppose this measure at the regular meeting on July 11, 2023.

Bill Miranda
Councilmember

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

The City of Santa Clarita (City) recognizes the importance of land use planning to meet the growth and needs of the community. We have experienced a significant amount of growth in the last 30 years, more than doubling in population to approximately 228,000 residents. With such rapid growth, the City has worked diligently to ensure that residential and commercial development, planning, and standards, including minimum parking requirements, recognize the unique community needs, topography, and geography of Santa Clarita.

The City imposes minimum on-site parking requirements to ensure residents and customers have adequate and reasonable access to homes and businesses. Additionally, the parking standards serve as a safeguard to prevent street congestion caused by on-street vehicle parking that may result in unsafe conditions for surrounding residents and businesses, and access challenges for emergency personnel, especially in the event of an emergency evacuation.

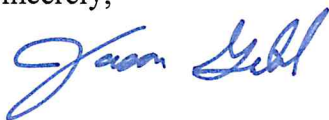
Furthermore, the City has the tools, knowledge, and policies in place to continue to plan and develop innovative residential units that enhance the quality of life for our community. It is critical for the City to maintain local land use and zoning authority and ensure that the City continues to have the ability to consider unique factors when reviewing development proposals.



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For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita respectfully opposes Assembly Bill 1308. We look forward to working with your office to address our concerns. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our position on this bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Officer Masis Hagobian at (661) 286-4057 or mhagobian@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason Gibbs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jason Gibbs
Mayor

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