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March 4, 2024

Cameron Smyth
Mayor

The Honorable James Ramos
California State Assembly, District 45
1021 O Street, Suite 8310
Sacramento, CA 95814

Bill Miranda
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Assembly Member Ramos:

SUBJECT: AB 1772 (RAMOS): SUPPORT

Jason Gibbs
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to express our support for Assembly Bill 1772, relating to Proposition 47 (2014) and repeat offenders. The Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure on February 27, 2024.

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

As public safety is not bound within local or regional boundaries, it is imperative that statewide measures aimed to reform criminal justice are not done at the cost of deteriorating public wellbeing and safety. With the passage of Proposition 47 (2014) and the preemption of local prosecutorial authority, many communities throughout California, including the City of Santa Clarita, experienced an increase in Part I crimes and equally alarming, an increase in repeat offenders.

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

As recent data shows, repeat offenders accounted for more than one-third of all arrests made by the Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff's Station in 2023. Assembly Bill 1772 establishes appropriate consequences that will support local law enforcement agencies in their efforts to mitigate and deter repeat or organized shoplifting.

For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita strongly supports Assembly Bill 1772. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our



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position on this bill, please contact Intergovernmental Relations Officer, Masis Hagobian, at (661) 286-4057 or mhagobian@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

Cameron Smyth
Mayor

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