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March 4, 2024

Cameron Smyth
Mayor

The Honorable Scott Wiener
California State Senate, District 11
1021 O Street, Suite 8620
Sacramento, CA 95814

Bill Miranda
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Senator Wiener:

SUBJECT: SB 905 (WIENER): SUPPORT

Jason Gibbs
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to express our support for Senate Bill 905, related to removing a requirement that prosecutors must prove a vehicle was locked when prosecuting someone for vehicular burglary. The Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure on February 27, 2024.

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

The occurrence of vehicle break-ins has significantly increased in California, especially in dense metropolitan areas. These areas are also where much of the tourism occurs in California and as such, many cases are thrown out because the victims are tourists and are unable to return to court to substantiate that the vehicle was locked.

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

Senate Bill 905 is critical in combatting and prosecuting organized criminal networks. For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita strongly supports Senate Bill 905. 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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