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April 9, 2024

Cameron Smyth
Mayor

The Honorable Rick Chavez Zbur
California State Assembly, District 51
1021 O Street, Suite 4250
Sacramento, CA 95814

Bill Miranda
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Assembly Member Zbur:

SUBJECT: AB 2943 (ZBUR): SUPPORT

Jason Gibbs
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to express our support for Assembly Bill 2943, related to creating the new crime of retail theft with the intent to sell. Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure on March 26, 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 prioritize 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 organized retail theft.

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

Assembly Bill 2943 is a critical piece of legislation to support law enforcement agencies in their efforts to combat and deter retail theft.

For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita strongly supports Assembly Bill 2943. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our position on this bill, please contact Masis Hagobian, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, at (661) 286-4057 or mhagobian@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

Cameron Smyth
Mayor



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