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Honorable Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Chair
Assembly Local Government Committee
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5144
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: **Support of AB 1851: Local Government Committee Omnibus Bill**

Dear Chair Aguiar-Curry:

The San Mateo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) is pleased to support the Assembly Local Government Committee Bill AB 1581, sponsored by the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO), which makes technical, non-substantive changes to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (the Act).

This annual bill includes technical changes to the Act which governs the work of LAFCos. These changes are necessary as Commissions implement the Act and small inconsistencies are found or clarifications are needed to make the law as unambiguous as possible. AB 1581 currently makes minor technical corrections to language used in the Act. San Mateo LAFCo is grateful to your Committee, staff and CALAFCO, all of whom worked diligently on this language to ensure there are no substantive changes while creating a significant increase in the clarity of the Act for all stakeholders.

This legislation helps insure the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act remains a vital and practical law that is consistently applied around the state. We appreciate your Committee's authorship and support of this bill, and your support of the mission of LAFCos.

Sincerely,

Martha Poyatos
Executive Officer

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Senator Josh Becker, District 13
Assembly Member Phil Ting, District 19
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