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January 31, 2012

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for the Governor's Ballot Initiative in November 2012

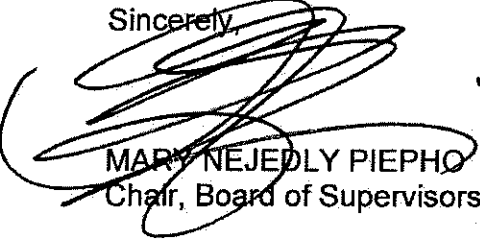
Dear Governor Brown:

As Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, I write to advise you that on January 17, 2012 the Board voted unanimously 5-0 to support your ballot initiative titled "*Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.*" to constitutionally guarantee revenues identified for the 2011 Public Safety Realignment and protect local governments from future increased costs associated with the realigned programs.

We appreciate your willingness to continue working with us as we implement new and expanded program responsibilities transferred from the State to counties pursuant to AB 109 of 2011. Your continued commitment to provide counties with minimum guaranteed funding and constitutional protections will be vital for the implementation of the 2011 Public Safety Realignment.

We look forward to a continued partnership with your Administration to resolve potential concerns and provide counties with the necessary funding, protections, and guarantees to ensure the public safety of Contra Costa county residents and all Californians.

Sincerely,


MARY NEJEDLY PIEPHO
Chair, Board of Supervisors

cc: Contra Costa Legislative Delegation
Members, Contra Costa Board of Supervisors
Cathy Christian, Nielsen Merksamer
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