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The Honorable Art W. McKinster, Acting Presiding Justice The Honorable Jeffrey King, Associate Justice The Honorable Douglas P. Miller, Associate Justice California Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division Two 3389 Twelfth Street Riverside, CA 92501

Re: Request for Publication of Opinion *City of Corona v. AMG Outdoor Advertising, Inc., et al.* Case No. E062869

Dear Justices McKinster, King, and Miller:

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 8.1120(a), the League of California Cities ("League") respectfully requests that the Court publish its January 7, 2016 opinion in *City of Corona v. AMG Outdoor Advertising, Inc., et al.*, Case No. E062869.

The League of California Cities is an association of 483 California cities dedicated to protecting and restoring local control to provide for the public health, safety, and welfare of their residents, and to enhance the quality of life for all Californians. The League is advised by its Legal Advocacy Committee, which is comprised of 24 city attorneys from all regions of the State. The Committee monitors litigation of concern to municipalities, and identifies those cases that are of statewide—or nationwide—significance. The Committee has identified this case as being of such significance.

The League is particularly interested in this case for the same reason stated by the City of Los Angeles in its January 25, 2016 Letter Requesting Publication¹ of this

¹ A copy of the City of Los Angeles' January 25, 2016 Letter Requesting Publication is attached for the Court's convenience, as the League does not seek to duplicate the arguments set forth in that letter, but to incorporate them by reference throughout this letter in the interest of efficiency and judicial economy.

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opinion – that is, all local agencies that regulate signs in this State have a strong interest in legal certainty surrounding sign regulation. Cities routinely regulate based on the same onsite/offsite distinction at issue in this case, and rely on that distinction to maintain effective regulatory control of the growing onslaught of signage, including billboards, supergraphics, and – more recently – digital signage. The League also supported the City of Los Angeles as *amicus curiae* in the case currently pending before the California Court of Appeal for the Second Appellate District, Division 8, *Lamar Central Outdoor, LLC v. City of Los Angeles* (No. B260074).

The League also believes publication of the opinion is warranted for the same reasons set forth by the City of Los Angeles. Specifically, the Court of Appeal's opinion (1) involves a legal issue of continuing public interest regarding the constitutionality of onsite/offsite distinctions under the California Constitution and (2) reaffirms a principle of law set forth in *Metromedia, Inc. v. City of San Diego* (1980) 26 Cal.3d 848 that has not been applied in a recently reported decision. The City of Los Angeles explains in great detail in its Letter Requesting Publication why these standards set forth in California Rules of Court, rule 8.1105(c) are met, and the League does not seek to duplicate the points already raised.

The League of California Cities, therefore, respectfully requests that the Court publish the opinion for the reasons set forth by the City of Los Angeles in its January 25, 2016 Letter Requesting Publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: City of Los Angeles' January 25, 2016 Letter Requesting Publication and Opinion dated January 7, 2016

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