June 23, 2014

The Honorable Susan Bonilla  
Member, California State Assembly  
State Capitol Building, Room 4140  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Via FAX: (916) 319-2114


Dear Assembly Member Bonilla:

The City of Big Bear Lake supports your AB 1147, which would completely revise and recast the law pertaining to massage therapy, including returning land use control back to the cities.

AB 1147 allows local governments to enact ordinances that would require a certified massage establishment to obtain a license, permit or other authorization as long as that license, permit or other authorization is required of any other individual or business providing professional services. Having this authority returned will allow local governments to prevent businesses operating under the auspices of massage therapy from engaging in prostitution and human trafficking.

For these reasons, the City of Big Bear Lake supports AB 1147.

Sincerely,

Jay Obernolte  
Mayor

cc: Assemblyman Donnelly (via facsimile)  
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