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The Honorable Susan Bonilla
Member, California State Assembly
State Capitol Building, Room 4140
Sacramento, CA 95814


Dear Assembly Member Bonilla:

On behalf of the City of San Bernardino, I am writing to express support for Assembly Bill 1147, which would revise and recast the law pertaining to massage therapy, including returning land use control back to the cities.

Your bill is critical in order to allow local governments to enact ordinances that would require a certificates 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 San Bernardino supports the passage of AB 1147 as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

R. Carey Davis
Mayor

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