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Honorable Steve Knight  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2016  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **SUPPORT of AB 1668: Elections Following an Incorporation**

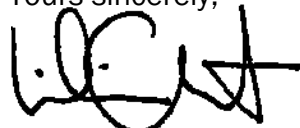
Dear Assembly Member Knight:

The California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions is pleased to support your bill, AB 1668. This legislation among other things adds clarity to new city incorporations by revising the initial term of office for council members following an incorporation.

This bill brings consistency to the number of council members whose terms are up for election regardless of the election system chosen by voters at the time of incorporation. The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act provides for voters to decide during the incorporation process whether the new city council will be elected at-large, by district or from district. However based on which system is chosen the law is inconsistent as to the number of council members who serve partial or full initial terms of office. This law brings consistency to that number. In addition, because it specifies that two members will have the shorter terms regardless of the election system, it will add to the stability of the new city by assuring the majority of the council serves a full term.

Because this law brings consistency in council elections, eliminates a confusing element of the incorporation process for the community, and adds stability to a new city, CALAFCO is in support. Please feel free to contact me if I can provide additional information.

Yours sincerely,



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