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The Honorable Al Muratsuchi, Chair
Assembly Committee on Natural Resources
1020 N Street, Room 164
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Muratsuchi:

**SUPPORT SENATE BILL 71 (WEINER) SOLID WASTE: DISPOSAL – AMENDED
FEBRUARY 26, 2018**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **supports** Senate Bill 71 (SB 71), as amended February 26, 2018.

If enacted, SB 71 would provide that when a city, county, or other local government agency has authorized a solid waste enterprise to handle solid waste, no person shall collect, remove, or transport solid waste generated by another person from residential, commercial, or industrial premises in violation of the rights authorized by the said jurisdiction, except in compliance with applicable law. The bill would also expand civil enforcement against a person that has violated, or to knowingly participated in violations of these laws.

The Task Force supports SB 71 as it seeks to address the unauthorized removal of solid waste materials, which includes recyclable materials such as aluminum, paper and glass. Loss of recyclable materials due to this practice has the potential to negatively affect a jurisdiction's diversion rate. In addition, the unauthorized removal of recyclable materials may result in decreased revenues for contracted waste haulers and local jurisdictions which in turn could cause increases in the jurisdiction commercial and residential rates for solid waste collection and recycling services.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County with a combined population in

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excess of ten million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated and cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in Los Angeles County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **supports** SB 71. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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