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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Mark Pestrella, PE, Chair
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**REQUEST FOR COUNTY ADVOCACY TO SUPPORT
ASSEMBLY BILL 436 (RANSOM)
COMPOSTING FACILITIES: ZONING**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is writing to express its strong support for Assembly Bill (AB) 436 (Ransom, 2025) as amended on March 10, 2025. AB 436 will require the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, in consultation with the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, to develop technical advisory best practices for local jurisdictions to facilitate the siting of composting facilities and meet the State's organic waste reduction goals. The advisory would include a model ordinance and sample general plan goals, policies, and implementation measures.

The Task Force appreciates the County's action to support legislation that encourages and incentivizes clean manufacturing and proposals that promote projects to reduce environmental pollutants, such as AB 436. The Task Force urges the Board to engage in supporting this legislation, as it would enable local governments to effectively manage organic waste, reduce landfill reliance, and foster a circular economy where organic materials are transformed into valuable resources, contributing to both environmental and economic sustainability.

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 and the 88 cities in the County with a combined population over 10 million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in the County, the Task Force also addresses

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issues impacting the system on a Countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division, the 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.

If you have any questions, please contact Jocelyn Stark at (626) 458-6521 or JStark@pw.lacounty.gov.

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