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Assembly Member Kevin de León State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0045

Dear Assembly Member de León:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials, Elections Legislative Committee would like to go on record in **Support** of **AB 1717** (as amended March 16, 2010), your proposal to allow election officials to establish procedures to allow voters to opt out of receiving sample ballots and other ballot materials by mail.

As more and more voters turn to the Internet for news, shopping and paying bills, familiarity with accessing information online has become commonplace for many. Allowing voters the opportunity to opt out of receiving voting materials by mail, and instead access these materials online will save printing and postage costs while continuing to meet the needs of the voters.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor's Office at 707-565-1876.

Very truly yours,

Janice Atkinson

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