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Assembly Member Paul Fong State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0022

Dear Assembly Member Fong:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials' Elections Legislative Committee is pleased to convey its **Support** of **AB 84** (as introduced January 5, 2011).

This proposal allows new citizens who gain their citizenship within 14 days of an election, to register to vote and participate in the election. All too often citizenship swearing-in ceremonies occur just days prior to an election, and newly sworn citizens are not provided an opportunity to participate. We, as election officials, would welcome the opportunity to register and enfranchise these new citizens who are truly some of the most enthusiastic and conscientious voters we encounter.

If you or your staff have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me in the Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor's Office at (707) 565-1876.

Very truly yours,

Janice Atkinson

Correspondence Secretary
California Association of Clerks

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