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March 10, 2014

The Honorable Norma Torres Member of the Senate State Capitol, Room 3082 Sacramento, CA 95814

SB 963 (TORRES) -SUPPORT

Dear Senator Torres:

The California Association of Clerks and Elections Officials is pleased to advise you of our support for SB 963, which would authorize reimbursement to counties for the expenses incurred in the preparation and conduct of elections to fill vacancies for state and federal offices.

We appreciate your recognition of the fiscal burden these elections have placed upon the already strained resources of local governments. This bill represents a significant on-going effort to relieve counties of the costs of electing state and federal officeholders to vacant positions.

Should you have questions regarding our position, please contact me at the Contra Costa County Election Division at <a href="mailto:scott.konopasek@vote.cccounty.us">scott.konopasek@vote.cccounty.us</a> or (925) 335-7808.

Respectfully,

Scott O. Konopasek

Corresponding Secretary

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Cc: Senator Norma Torres, Chair, Senate Committee on Elections, Reapportionment and

Constitutional Amendments

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