The Honorable Ben Allen  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 4076  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Bob Archuleta
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4066
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The Honorable Steven Bradford
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 2059
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Ling Ling Chang  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 4062  
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The Honorable Maria Elena Durazo
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5066
Sacramento, CA 95814

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California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 313  
Sacramento, CA  95814

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The Honorable Connie M. Leyva  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 4061  
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The Honorable Holly J. Mitchell  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 5050  
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The Honorable Mike Morrell  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 3056  
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The Honorable Anthony Portantino
California State Senate
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The Honorable Susan Rubio
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4052
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The Honorable Henry Stern
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5080
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California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 3076  
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California State Senate  
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The Honorable Richard Bloom
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2003
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The Honorable Autumn Burke  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 5150  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Ian C. Calderon  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 319  
Sacramento, CA  95814

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The Honorable Wendy Carrillo  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 4167  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 5016  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Phillip Chen
California State Assembly
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California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2137  
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The Honorable Cristina Garcia
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2013
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Mike Gipson
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3173
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The Honorable Chris Holden
California State Assembly
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The Honorable Jacqui Irwin
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5119
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California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2117
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The Honorable Sydney Kamlager-Dove
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4015
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The Honorable Tom Lackey  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2174  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Al Muratsuchi  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2179  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Adrin Nazarian  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 4146  
Sacramento, CA 95814  

Dear Assembly Member Nazarian:

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The Honorable Patrick O’Donnell
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4005
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The Honorable Anthony Rendon  
Speaker of the Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 219  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Luz Maria Rivas  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2160  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Freddie Rodriguez  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2188  
Sacramento, CA 95814  

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The Honorable Blanca Rubio
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5175
Sacramento, CA 95814

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The Honorable Miguel Santiago  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 6027  
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The Honorable Christy Smith  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2002  
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