



June 1, 2009

Honorable Mark Leno, Chair
Senate Committee on Public Safety
State Capitol, Room 2031
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 14 – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Leno:

The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 3,200 rank and file deputy sheriffs, sheriffs, deputy probation officers, law enforcement investigators and counselors, coroners, and bailiffs – the entire law enforcement team in Riverside County – supports AB 14.

Recently, the California Supreme Court in *O'Connell v City of Stockton*, (2007) 41 Cal 4th 1061, struck down a local vehicle forfeiture ordinance on the grounds that it was preempted by state law. AB 14 expressly grants local government the authority to regulate in the area of nuisance, with certain guidelines. This bill will promote public safety.

Very truly yours,

Pat McNamara
President

Timothy H. B. Yaryan
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