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Honorable Catherine Blakespear
Assemblymember, State of California
1020 O Street, Suite 7720
Sacramento, CA 95814

Bruce Ehlers
Mayor

**RE: SB569 (Blakespear) Caltrans Homeless Encampment
Collaboration Act – Notice of Support**

Dear Senator Blakespear

Joy Lyndes
Deputy Mayor

The City of Encinitas is writing in strong support of SB 569, which aims to enhance coordination between the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and local governments in addressing homeless encampments on state-owned properties, particularly along freeways and highways.

Jim O'Hara
Council Member

Encinitas, like many communities, has witnessed the growing challenge of encampments situated on state property, areas where local jurisdictions often lack the authority and resources to intervene effectively. These encampments pose significant public safety concerns, including increased fire hazards and environmental degradation. Moreover, they hinder our ability to provide essential services and support to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Maro San Antonio
Council Member

SB 569 provisions align with the City of Encinitas commitment to addressing homelessness through compassionate and effective solutions. By fostering a coordinated response, SB 569 will enable the City of Encinitas to better serve individuals experiencing homelessness and enhance public safety for all residents.

Luke Shaffer
Council Member

The City of Encinitas stands ready to collaborate with Caltrans and other stakeholders to implement the provisions of SB 569 and make meaningful progress in addressing homelessness. For these reasons, the City of Encinitas strongly supports SB 569.

Jennifer Campbell
City Manager

Sincerely,

Bruce Ehlers
Mayor
City of Encinitas

cc: Assemblymember Tasha Boerner