

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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Julian A. Gold, M.D., Mayor

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The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor, State of California 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 602 (Archuleta) Trespass

City of Beverly Hills - SUPPORT

Dear Governor Newsom.

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write in strong **SUPPORT of SB 602 (Archuleta) and respectfully request your signature on this bill.** SB 602 would extend the operative timeframe for trespass letters of authorization and require these letters to be notarized and submitted electronically.

SB 602 will be incredibly beneficial to cities like ours. Currently, obtaining Letters of Agency from absentee property owners monthly can be challenging and time-consuming, draining valuable staff resources that can be better utilized serving our community.

Extending the operative timeframe for trespass letters of authorization from 30 days to 12 months for properties where there is a fire hazard or the owner is absent, would significantly streamline this process. Furthermore, lengthening the operative timeframe from 12 months to three years for properties closed to the public and posted as being closed to the public would greatly enhance our ability to manage and enforce trespass laws on these properties.

We also appreciate the bill's provision for electronic submission of these letters. While our City currently accepts electronic letters of authorization, having this practice explicitly stated in law would provide clarity and encourage the uniform adoption of this process across all jurisdictions.

For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills **SUPPORTS SB 602** (Archuleta) and respectfully requests your signature on this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Julian A. Gold, M.D

Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

cc: The Honorable Bob Archuleta, Senator, 30th District

The Honorable Ben Allen, Senator, 24th District

The Honorable Rick Zbur, Assemblymember, 51st District Andrew K. Antwih, Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange