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July 17, 2018

The Honorable Members of the City of Los Angeles Council  
c/o Office of the City Clerk  
200 North Spring Street, Room 395  
City of Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Dear Honorable Members:

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE BUREAU OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION'S  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND LABOR STANDARDS RELATED TO CITY  
PLANNING INITIATIVE (MEASURE JJJ) IMPLEMENTATION  
RECOMMENDATIONS (COUNCIL FILE 16-0684)

The Southern California Contractors Association (SCCA) supports the Bureau of Contract Administration's recommendations to require prevailing wage requirements, monitor compliance, and require payment and performance bonds for Measure JJJ projects.

SCCA believes that prevailing wages benefit our communities by preventing destructive wage and competition battles within our Industry. This negative behavior has been shown to reduce the overall productivity and quality of the projects and leads to poverty level jobs without delivering any benefit to the customers. Additionally, projects that do not have prevailing wage requirements generally have the following characteristics:

- Less workforce training,
- Younger, less educated and less experienced workforce,
- Higher injury rates, and
- Lower health and pension coverage.

Our members maintain the highest professional standards and thus, raise the Industry's standards. Equally important is that our members are 100-percent signatory to the unions. Our projects, whether private or public, are delivered with the topmost quality to our customers. Because we are union employers, we benefit from the unions' standards for education and skill levels and our employees benefit from higher wages, better working conditions, and a greater quality of life.

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We thank you for advocating for the requirements of paying prevailing wage, monitoring compliance, and mandating performance bonds for Measure JJJ projects which levels the playing field for everyone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clayton Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Clayton" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Miller".

CLAYTON MILLER  
Executive Vice-President  
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cc: The Honorable Herb J. Wesson, Jr., Chair  
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