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RE: Assembly Bill 550 - Notice of Opposition, As Amended 4/5/23

Dear Assemblymember Holden,

The California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) writes to express our opposition to Assembly Bill 550, which would require a city to agendize its homelessness point-in-time count results at a public meeting within 60 days of receiving the count and present the steps the local jurisdiction is taking to prevent homelessness.

As an organization, CCCA appreciates the intent behind AB 550, and recognizes our shared goal of ending homelessness in our communities. However, we are worried that by placing these new requirements on cities without clearly defined financial support from the state, the bill would intensify many cities' fiscal hardships when it comes to addressing homelessness locally. [According to a recent League of California Cities survey](#), while 84% of cities have implemented homelessness programs, 87% have concerns over funding homelessness services long term. Considering these results, we can deduce that without ongoing state funding, cities would struggle to follow through on the numerous new steps outlined in AB 550 and strain capacity and resources.

CCCA represents over 85 cities throughout California. For more than 65 years, CCCA's mission has been to advance the benefits of the contracting model and strengthen local control. With collaborative governance as a focal point, CCCA has advanced its mission through education, advocacy, networking, and legislative access to protect and enhance the quality of life for more than 7.5 million residents. As a matter of policy, our organization supports and defends the rights of cities on policy issues pertinent to them. We thank you in advance for your consideration of our opposition to AB 550.

Yours in service,

Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director