

## CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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Lili Bosse, Mayor

September 21, 2017

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown Governor, State of California State Capitol, Governor's Office Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1408 (Hueso) Crimes: supervised release. City of Beverly Hills – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write to you in **SUPPORT** of **AB 1408 (Calderon)** and respectfully request that you **SIGN** this bill when it comes before your desk. This bill will enact vital reforms to the state's parole program associated with managing the population of ex-offenders on post-release community supervision (PRCS) and alter the rules on the criteria for granting parole in a manner that will enhance public safety in our communities.

AB 1408 (Calderon) is a direct response to the killing of Whittier Police Officer Keith Boyer and the wounding of his partner, Officer Patrick Hazell, on February 20, 2017. Officer Boyer was murdered and Officer Hazell wounded by an ex-convict, who had been arrested five times for probation violations since his release from prison in April 2016. He had previous convictions of felonies for robbery and auto theft.

This bill will provide local law enforcement with more comprehensive information about offenders who are on PRCS and change the criteria for parole in a manner that will enhance public safety. Specifically, this bill will provide local law enforcement copies of an inmate's complete record of supervision during any period of their parole, allowing our Beverly Hills Police Department to better adjust to the changes created by realignment, and provide greater context for supervisory agencies.

Additionally, this bill will require the state Parole Board, to consider an individual's entire criminal history, rather than solely considering the most recently committed offense, before granting an inmate parole, as is current policy. This change is essential to developing a realistic assessment of a given individual's recidivism risk before determining whether to grant an inmate parole.

Further, this bill would limit the use of intermediate sanctions and prohibit their use for exoffenders who have violated the terms of their PRCS for a third time. **AB 1408 (Calderon)** ensures that the PRCS program will not be abused by individuals who consistently break the rules of their supervision or commit new crimes.

The City of Beverly Hills has consistently supported legislation that seeks to prevent and reduce crimes in our community. **AB 1408 (Calderon)** successfully balances the rights and rehabilitation of the formerly incarcerated population with the needs of our community for public safety and wellbeing.

For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills **SUPPORTS AB 1408 (Calderon)** and respectfully requests that you **SIGN** this bill. Thank you for your consideration of this important measure.

Sincerely

Lili Bosse

Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

cc:

The Honorable Ian Calderon, 57th Assembly District
The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District
The Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District

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