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The Honorable Roderick Wright
Member, California State Senate
State Capitol Building, Room 5064
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: **SB 286 (Wright). Redevelopment Reform.** (As Amended, April 27, 2011)
Notice of Support

Dear Senator Wright:

The League of California Cities is pleased to support your SB 286, as amended on April 27, 2011. The League board unanimously adopted a support position on this legislation earlier this morning via conference call.

Collectively, this legislation contains the most sweeping set of proposed reforms to California redevelopment law in two decades. In brief, this measure tightens the definition of "blight," limits project area size, funds an aggressive auditing program by the state Auditor, increases accountability through performance standards, and make others changes that will improve accountability and serve to reduce the footprint of redevelopment.

Thank you for your leadership in recognizing the value of redevelopment in California and carrying this substantial package of reforms to improve the program.

If you have further questions about our position on this bill, please contact me at (916) 658-8222.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Carrigg".

Dan Carrigg
Legislative Director

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