

September 18, 2013

The Honorable Jerry Brown Governor, State of California State Capitol, First Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: <u>AB 683 (Mullin) Local Government Nuisance Abatement</u> Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown,

The League of California Cities respectfully requests you Sign AB 683 by Assembly Member Kevin Mullin, which will provide cities with an additional tool to recover costs associated with abating ongoing nuisances in their communities.

Distressed properties are a growing problem and nuisance complaints from neighbors generate many code enforcement actions. When property owners do not comply with local government abatement requests, AB 683 will allow a city or county, after notice and public hearing, to recover fines through lien or special assessment against the property on which the nuisance is present. This authority is in addition to any powers a city or county may already derive from its charter.

This is an efficient and common-sense tool for eliminating community blight and threats to public health and safety, while preserving due process for property owners.

For the above reasons, we respectfully request you Sign AB 683. If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance, please call me at (916) 658-8222.

Sincerely,

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Daniel Carrigg Legislative Director

Cc: Honorable Assembly Member Kevin Mullin Camille Wagner, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of Governor Brown