



September 24, 2019

VIA Email to the Office of the Governor and Author

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 65 (Petrie-Norris) – Coastal protection: climate adaption: project prioritization – REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Newsom:

The League of Women Voters of California writes to request your signature on AB 65 (Petrie-Norris), legislation that would require the California State Coastal Conservancy to prioritize projects that use natural infrastructure to help coastal communities adapt to climate change.

The League recognizes that climate change is the greatest global challenge to the balance of our ecosystem, and we support state actions to mitigate and adapt to climate change. Nationally, the League fought for the federal Clean Air and Clean Water Acts and the formulation of the Environmental Protection Agency. We have supported state efforts and action to reduce greenhouse gases and to meet goals set at the Paris Climate Summit.

We have long-held positions calling for the management of our natural resources as interrelated parts of our life-supporting ecosystems; and to promote resource conservation, stewardship and long-range planning to protect these resources in the interests of public health and the environment.

We believe that this legislation is a continuing effort by the state to refine and improve its strategies to deal with climate change. Natural infrastructure makes best use of our environmental assets to be employed productively to protect our coasts.

The League of Women Voters of California strongly urges your signature on AB 65 which prioritizes projects that use natural infrastructure to help coastal communities adapt to the impacts of climate change. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carol Moon Goldberg". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Carol Moon Goldberg
President