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## VIA Online Portal to Author and Assembly Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Bob Wieckowski California State Senate State Capitol, Room 4085 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 168 (Wieckowski) Chief Climate Resilience Officer - SUPPORT

Dear Senator Wieckowski:

The League of Women Voters of California writes to support SB 168 to establish the position of Chief Climate Resiliency Officer to serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation in California.

The League recognizes that climate change is the greatest challenge globally to the balance of our ecosystem, and we support state actions to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

To have a cohesive and comprehensive response to climate change impacts, the state must have integrated planning with coordinated strategies across state, regional, and local governments and agencies designed to reduce the costs of future climate disaster and protect local, state, and regional infrastructure assets, including natural infrastructure systems. Having a point person to look across the vast and diverse efforts would help build that cohesiveness and synergy.

The League of Women Voters of California urges passage of SB 168 to establish the position of Chief Climate Resiliency Officer.

Sincerely,

Carol Moon Goldberg

President