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September 21, 2011

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 617

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of The Regional Economic Association Leaders (R.E.A.L.) Coalition, an association of California's most influential business and economic development entities, representing more than 11,000 employers who collectively provide more than 3 million California jobs, we write to urge you to support SB 617.

The (R.E.A.L.) Coalition, commends Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg, Assembly Speaker John Perez, and our colleagues at the California Chamber of Commerce and the California Manufacturing & Technology Association for taking significant steps toward changing California's reputation as one of the most unfriendly places to do business.

SB 617 is a vehicle to analyze, rationalize and more thoughtfully promulgate regulations and enhance regulatory processes moving forward, shows a commitment on the part of the Legislature to embrace ideas to grow the economy, create jobs and improve the state's overall business climate and global competitiveness.

The undersigned members of the R.E.A.L. Coalition stand ready to work with a bipartisan group of California legislators as well as with our partners in the business and labor communities. The aim is to ensure that measures such as those proposed in SB 617, which helps facilitate business and economic growth, continue to be considered, adopted and implemented in a way where they can create jobs, strengthen the state's global competitiveness, and preserve the quality of life of residents and communities throughout California.

We strongly and respectfully urge you to sign this bill. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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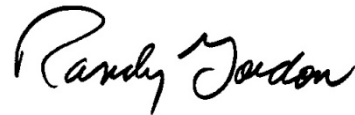


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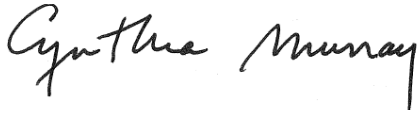
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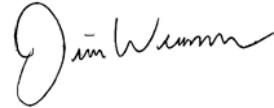
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