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April 15, 2022

The Honorable Richard Pan, Chair
California Senate Health Committee
1021 O Street, Room 1200
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1464—Law Enforcement: Public Health Orders – OPPOSE

Dear Senator Pan:

On behalf of the Placer County Board of Supervisors, I write to express our opposition to SB 1464 relating to enforcement of public health orders by law enforcement. Placer County opposes legislation that removes regulatory authority, including enforcement, from local officials, much less a local elected official in the County Sheriff. Additionally, SB 1464 mentions vague “penalties” for declining to enforce public health orders that results in a loss of state law enforcement funding and re-directs the funding to local public health.

Our Board has complete trust in our elected Sheriff to do what is best to keep our County safe. Prohibiting the use of state funds for law enforcement agencies that rely on these funds to administer health and safety programs in their communities will harm our community and make our local law enforcement jobs harder than they already are. Additionally, for counties, SB 1464, actually harms one elected body that has fiscal responsibility based on the decision of another elected official that has enforcement responsibilities. SB 1464 infringes on local control, and Placer County urges you to let local jurisdictions do what they believe is best for their community.

For these reasons, Placer County opposed SB 1464 relating to enforcement of public health orders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cindy Gustafson". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Cindy Gustafson, Chair (District 5)
Placer County Board of Supervisors

Cc: Members of the California Senate Health Committee
Placer County State Elected Delegation
Placer County Sheriff Devon Bell SYASL