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September 23, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor, State of California 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2574 (Valencia) Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facilities. Request of Signature

Dear Governor Newsom,

The City of Paramount respectfully requests your signature on AB 2574 (Valencia), which aims to strengthen the regulation and transparency of recovery residences operating alongside licensed treatment facilities.

AB 2574 expands existing reporting requirements for licensed recovery home operators, providing the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) with better oversight of sober living homes connected to licensed drug treatment facilities. This measure addresses a critical regulatory gap, ensuring recovery residences with financial or operational ties to licensed facilities are disclosed and regulated accordingly.

The bill would require programs and licensed facilities to disclose to DHCS if any agents, partners, directors, officers, or owners have ownership, control, or financial interest in a recovery residence. Furthermore, it mandates that facilities report contractual relationships with entities providing professional recovery services to certified or licensed program clients if the entity is not part of the certified program or licensed facility.

For the City of Paramount, this bill is vital in ensuring that our community members in recovery receive care from facilities that operate transparently and adhere to the highest standards of accountability. By requiring greater transparency, AB 2574 will help prevent potential abuses and ensure that recovery residences are regulated as businesses when they operate in conjunction with licensed treatment facilities, thereby significantly improving the quality of life for our residents.

This measure enhances the safety and well-being of some of California's most vulnerable residents while holding providers accountable for maintaining quality care. For these reasons, the City of Paramount urges your signature on AB 2574.

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact City Manager John Moreno at (562) 220-2225. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Cc: Honorable Avelino Valencia Members, Senate Committee on Appropriations Honorable State Senator Lena Gonzalez, 33rd District Honorable Assembly Speaker Emeritus Anthony Rendon, 62nd District Kristine Guerrero, Public Affairs Director, League of California Cities Jorge Morales, Legislative and Governmental Affairs Consultant, California Contract Cities Association