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March 17, 2009

The Honorable Paul Cook California State Assembly State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 307 (Cook) - As introduced 2/17/09 - SUPPORT

Dear Assemblyman Cook:

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors is pleased to support AB 307. AB 307 would prohibit a city or county from issuing a license to operate an ice cream truck to any person who is required to register as a sex offender.

Asking applicants to disclose prior convictions is a non-punitive method for protecting the public from sexual predators. As an example, city and county agencies responsible for issuing business licenses currently ask those seeking a massage parlor license to disclose prior convictions pursuant to Penal Code Section 290. Expanding this practice to include people who seek business licenses to operate ice cream trucks is a practical solution to a dangerous problem.

The safety of our children is a high priority for the County of San Bernardino, and we believe this bill is an important step to securing our neighborhoods. For these reasons, the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County supports AB 307. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Lance Larson, the County's Director of Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821. The Board thanks you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

GARY C. OVITT

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

cc: Members, San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation