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June 3, 2008

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
United States House of Representatives  
2201 Rayburn Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

**RE: H.R. 5102 – Our Nation's Trade, Infrastructure, Mobility, and Efficiency Act (ON TIME Act) of 2007– SUPPORT**

Dear Congressman Calvert:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support H.R. 5102 – Our Nation's Trade, Infrastructure, Mobility, and Efficiency Act of 2007, commonly referred as the ON TIME Act. One of the main provisions of this bill is the creation of a national freight fee based on the value of goods moved.

H.R. 5102 will dedicate all funds received to specific transportation improvements, such as freeway expansions, grade crossing separations, and dedicated truck lanes, in areas most impacted by the more than 300 ports of entry across the country.

San Bernardino County is acutely impacted by Southern California's two seaports, which handle nearly one-third of the nation's container traffic. Therefore, the County supports your efforts to recognize how the movement of goods and cargo from point of entry to the end user creates traffic congestion and deteriorates existing transportation infrastructure. By assigning a reasonable fee to imported and exported cargo, this legislation would generate steady funding for much-needed reprieve from increasing congestion on Southern California trade corridors.

Goods movement must be dealt with on the national level, and great care should be taken to address the needs of and impacts to local governments and their residents. H.R. 5102 will expedite cargo movement by providing transportation funding to areas most impacted by trade, thus allowing local governments to vastly improve aging trade corridors. For these reasons, the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County supports H.R. 5102. The Board thanks you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

**PAUL BIANE**  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

cc: San Bernardino County Congressional Delegation

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