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March 15, 2016

The Honorable Holly Mitchell, Chair
California State Senate Health and Human Services Budget & Fiscal Review Subcommittee
State Capitol, Room 5019
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support Medi-Cal Administration: \$169 million

Dear Chairwoman Mitchell:

The County of San Bernardino is writing to urge your support for the Governor's proposal to provide \$169 million for county administration of the Medi-Cal program.

The Governor's January Budget notes that county workers conduct Medi-Cal eligibility work on behalf of the state, that Medi-Cal caseload continues to grow significantly post implementation of the Affordable Care Act, and that the system built to automate eligibility determinations is not yet completely functional.

Recent issues with the various automation systems have resulted in County workers working overtime to keep up with demand and resolve outstanding issues. This additional funding would help to alleviate some of the additional burdens placed on county workers.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino thanks you for your support of additional funding to allow counties to continue to operate the Medi-Cal program on the state's behalf. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcountry.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Ramos".

JAMES RAMOS
Board of Supervisors Chairman
Third District Supervisor
County of San Bernardino

c: Members and Consultants, Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 3 on
Health and Human Services
County of San Bernardino Legislative Delegation

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