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September 12, 2025

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

RE: Veto Request – Senate Bill 627

Dear Governor Newsom:

I am writing today to respectfully request that you veto Senate Bill 627.

This bill, if implemented, will intensify hostility toward law enforcement officers in California.

Despite the rhetoric surrounding this measure, SB-627 will not alter how federal law enforcement operates in our state. Instead, it unfairly targets local peace officers, inflating tensions, increasing fear, and eroding trust between officers and the communities they serve. By tying civil liability to whether an officer wears a mask, the bill strips away vital legal protections and opens the door to dismantling qualified immunity.

At a time when recruitment and retention are already at historic lows, SB-627 will make it even harder to attract and retain qualified officers by subjecting them to greater scrutiny and second-guessing in high-stress situations.

I thank you for your consideration and I respectfully request that you veto SB-627. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at (916) 651-4032.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kelly Seyarto".

Kelly Seyarto
Senator, 32nd District