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The Honorable Jimmy Gomez
Member, California State Assembly
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RE: AB 1147 (Gomez). Massage Therapy. (As amended on January 14, 2014)
Notice of Support

Dear Assembly Member Gomez:

The City of Concord is pleased to support your AB 1147, which would require massage professionals to pass a massage and bodywork competency assessment examination.

SB 731 (Oropeza, 2008) created the voluntary certification of massage professionals which is set to expire on January 1, 2015. We support AB 1147 as a potential vehicle to incorporate changes that would provide cities with the much needed tools to be able to address the proliferation of illicit massage establishments.

We believe that this legislation is an important step in reducing the incidences of human trafficking and prostitution. For these reasons, the City of Concord supports AB 1147.

Sincerely,

Timothy Grayson
Mayor
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