

Board of Directors,

I am requesting your vote and continued support as your special District Commissioner to Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Challenges to Districts continue unabated. As your LAFCO Commissioner and as a Metro Fire Director, I am committed to ensuring that all District voices are heard. Everyone needs to be included in conversations regarding boundary changes, whether they be annexations, detachments, consolidations, spheres of influence or incorporations.

For the past 16 years I have served in a leadership role in the Special District Advisory Committee to Sacramento LAFCO. On a quarterly basis we discuss LAFCO issues and potential impacts to Special Districts in our county. Importantly, this informs my decisions as a commissioner.

I also serve as a Director for the California Association of LAFCOs, which gives me a broad perspective. This state association of LAFCOs offers me an amplified view on the many legislative activities that have potential to affect all LAFCOs. Networking with Special Districts across the state, as well as with the California Special Districts Association, is very helpful to me as your commissioner.

A final example of my commitment is back on the local level. As a member of the public, I attend meetings of the South American Subbasin (SASb) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Working Group. They are always informative - both technically and policy-wise. My knowledge base continues to expand, and I appreciate all the diligent work of this professional group.

Among the purposes of LAFCOs are the discouragement of urban sprawl and the encouragement of the orderly formation and development of local agencies. Additionally, I am concerned about what contributes to the best public benefit and fairness.

I ask for your continued support in these efforts.

Sincerely,

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