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Honorable Tim Sandoval
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RE: CODE 6899-2017 Waste & Recycling Ordinance - OPPOSE

Dear Mayor Tim Sandoval and Members of the Pomona City Council,

We are writing on behalf of BizFed, a grassroots alliance of over 160 business organizations that represent 325,000 employers with over 3 million employees in LA County. Over the last few months, our geographically and industry diverse membership has been tracking cities throughout LA County attempting to pick and choose the type of businesses and industries they want in their city through restrictive code amendments or other draconian measures. **BizFed opposes CODE 6899-2017 Waste & Recycling Ordinance.**

The concerns are twofold. One, such extreme action to prohibit recycling in a city is contrary to the mandate established by the State through AB341, which sets the goal of diverting 75% of material that may otherwise be sent to a landfill. California regulations and policies were adopted as required by AB341 to encourage cities to promote recycling and mandate recycling by commercial establishments. Businesses and residents have a legal and moral obligation to recycle as much as possible. Capriciously prohibiting recycling facilities sends the wrong message to businesses and residents regarding the need to recycle as an important environmental objective.

Secondly, BizFed feels that such a broad restriction on any type of business is destructive to businesses, not only in your City but also in surrounding communities, as this creates uncertainty to the larger local business community. Certainty is a key element in retaining and attracting jobs and investment to the City and region, which in turn creates revenue for the City. We know that each city has local control to regulate businesses in their city in a manner they see fit to protect the health and safety of its citizens as well as aesthetics and desired style of that city. However, it makes no sense to impose a complete prohibition on an important business such as recycling. If the city has concerns regarding the health and safety of its citizens as a result of recycling facilities, BizFed suggests considering applying reasonable conditions on new recycling facilities rather than absolute prohibition.

Thank you for allowing our input on this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact Lara L. Larramendi, BizFed Government Relations Director at 626/201-1683.

Sincerely,

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