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Honorable Edmund "Jerry" G. Brown, Jr. Governor of California State Capitol Building 1st Floor **Attn:** Joe Dhillon, Sr. Advisor Sacramento, CA. 95814

RE: Request for a Veto of AB 1606

Dear Mr. Dhillon,

Stand Up for California writes today to request a veto of AB 1606 the Wilton Tribal State Compact. The reason for this request is based on the specific language of AB 1606 Section 2.

The justification for the necessity of an urgency measure in section 2 of AB 1606 is not consistent with the plain language of the California Constitution. There is no urgency to prevent an outbreak of cholera or a plague; there is no threat of riots in the streets that must be prevented. There is no fear of costly damage to human life or property. The sole purpose of the urgency language in AB 1606 is intended to stifle voter's rights to referenda undesirable legislation.

Clearly the use of an urgency statute for AB 1606 is an abuse of the spirit and intent of the plain language of the California Constitution.

We ask that you veto AB 1606 and request Assembly member Cooper to resubmit the compact ratification language as a non-urgency measure. There is no harm to the public peace, health or safety in waiting for this legislation to take effect. However, there is harm when voters are intentionally disenfranchised.

Sincerely,

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