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June 12, 2020

The Honorable Anthony J. Portantino
Senate Appropriations Committee
State Capitol, Room 2006
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SCA 6 (Dodd) – OPPOSE

Dear Chairman Portantino:

This letter is sent on behalf of the Grossmont Union High School District. Our District is in opposition to SCA 6 (Dodd), a measure that would severely impact our tribal government partners by infringing upon their constitutional gaming rights and subsequently their ability to provide for their tribes and surrounding communities.

Tribes are the largest charitable donors in the San Diego region, if not Southern California, providing millions of dollars every year to non-profit organizations, public schools, universities, hospitals, and more. Their longstanding support and investments in our communities would not have been possible without tribal gaming and their constitutional rights rooted in Proposition 1A (2000).

We have been beneficiaries of the generosity of tribes like the Barona Band of Mission Indians, who have donated more than \$5 million to schools throughout California, including the Grossmont Union High School District. These much-needed revenues have allowed our district to support academic programs such as: AVID, technology devices for our students, upgrades to our school libraries, visual and performing arts, and our athletic programs.

We are proud to support our tribal government partners in opposing SCA 6.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tim Glover
Superintendent