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The Honorable Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
State Capitol First Floor
Sacramento CA 95814
Via fax: (916) 558-3160

**RE: AB X8 7: Recycling: Beverage Containers
REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE**

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, I respectfully request your signature of AB X8 7, which will provide fiscal solvency for the California Beverage Container Recycling (Bottle Bill) Fund.

Sunnyvale has made significant investments in recycling programs and they have been well-received by our residents and businesses.

A key part of the financial structure of our programs is beverage container recycling revenues. However, the recent changes to the state's beverage container program reduced City recycling revenues by over \$200,000 per year, a significant budgetary impact. It is the City's policy to identify and support laws and administrative actions that increase the demand for and value of recycled materials in a cost-effective manner¹.

While there is still work to be done on the bottle bill program, we believe this measure is a step in the right direction to make the Beverage Container Recycling Fund solvent and keep the program stable in the near future. For these reasons, we respectfully request your signature on AB X8 7.

Sincerely,



Melinda Hamilton
Mayor

cc: Gary Luebbers, City Manager
Marvin Rose, Director of Public Work

¹ City of Sunnyvale Solid Waste Sub-element Action Statement 3.2B.4a.