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The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor, State of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 548 (Levine) Solid waste: multifamily dwellings – URGE SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger,

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is composed of approximately 7000 public and private sector solid waste management professionals throughout North America dedicated to the development and enhancement of environmentally and economically sound practices and policies for the integrated management of municipal solid waste. There are approximately 900 members of SWANA in California, and on their behalf I am writing in support AB 548, regarding multifamily dwellings recycling services.

AB 548 would require an owner of a multifamily dwelling, defined as a residential facility that consists of 5 or more living units, on or after July 1, 2008, to arrange for recycling services that are appropriate for the multifamily dwelling, consistent with state or local laws or requirements, including a local ordinance or agreement, applicable to the collection, handling, or recycling of solid waste. AB 548 defines "multifamily dwelling" as a residential facility that consists of five or more living units.

AB 548 would allow multifamily dwellings the opportunities to increase recycling, and reduce the amount of solid waste going into our landfills. AB 548 is important in that it would provide for the State to require more of the private sector in helping local governments meet their diversion goals under AB 939. For these reasons, the California Chapters of SWANA support this measure.

Sincerely,

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