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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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Honorable Governor Gavin Newsom 1303 10th Street, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dr. Sonia Y. Angell, Director Department, California Department of Public Health P.O. Box 997377, MS 0500 Sacramento, CA 95899-7377

Re: Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay At Home Order COVID-19 County Variance Attestation Form

Dear Governor Newsom and Dr. Angell,

As directed by the Governor in Executive Order N-60-20, the California Department of Public Health issued an order on May 8, 2020, which set forth criteria, and procedures that counties need to meet in order to move more quickly than other parts of the state through Stage 2 of modifying the Stay-at-Home order. Since May 8, the State Public Health Officer has issued additional criteria to allow more counties to move more quickly into Stage 2.

The Santa Barbara County Public Health team has completed the Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-At-Home Order Covid-19 County Variance Attestation Form. In addition, the County has also prepared a science, data, and public health based Containment Plan entitled Reopening In Safe Environment, or RISE, for moving into Stage 2 of California's Pandemic Roadmap. With the Attestation Form including the Containment Plan, Dr. Henning Ansorg, Santa Barbara County Health Officer, has attested to our County's success in stabilizing our new cases and hospitalization trends, meeting hospital surge capacity, having sufficient PPE supply to meet demand, having sufficient testing to meet demand, having adequate capacity to contact trace, and having infrastructure to provide for needs of essential workers and vulnerable populations.

These documents are evidence that our County is ready and has capacity to increase our pace through the State's Stage 2.

We agree and fully support Dr. Ansorg's attestation of readiness to achieve the Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-At-Home Order. Our Board of Supervisors is proud of our community's response to COVID 19 and we are pleased to provide this additional letter of support.

Sincerely,

Gregg Hart

Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

cc: Cliff Berg, Government Advocates

Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer

Van Do-Reynoso, County Public Health Director

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