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April 22, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors, Santa Barbara County  
c/o Clerk of the Board  
105 E Anapamu St # 406,  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Support for PACE Financing Program  
Santa Barbara County

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Central Coast Green Building Council in support of the adoption and implementation of a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing program in Santa Barbara County.

As a purely voluntary option for property owners seeking to install energy savings, water reduction, renewable energy, or seismic strengthening technologies for homes or businesses, PACE programs have been very borrower friendly and cost effective. With the loan repayment made over 20 years or longer on annual tax assessment, and no up front costs, a project can often create a cash flow while the owner enjoys energy and water savings, and a healthier, more sustainable building environment.

Reduced energy and resource usage, and promotion and development of sustainable communities are goals our Chapter has been promoting in San Luis Obispo, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties for many years. Two of these counties have already adopted PACE programs. It is time for Santa Barbara County to become the third.

Please vote to adopt PACE financing in Santa Barbara County and implement this new program quickly, so your citizens can begin enjoying benefits already being enjoyed by your neighbors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS