



**MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA**  
CITY OF LONG BEACH

June 30, 2016

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.  
Governor of California  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Support for Senate Bill 1446 (Hancock) – Firearms: magazine capacity**

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I am pleased to support Senate Bill 1446 (Hancock). This bill would help reduce gun violence by prohibiting the possession of large-capacity magazines. Long Beach supports strengthening gun control laws that promote public safety and reduce the number of military style magazines in California.

While the State prohibits the importation, manufacture, and sale of large-capacity ammunition magazines, possession of such a magazine is not prohibited. These large-capacity magazines can hold upwards of 100 rounds of ammunition, which allows for a shooter to rapidly fire without reloading. Such a magazine is not intended for hunting or target shooting. SB 1446 would, commencing July 1, 2017, prohibit the possession of any large-capacity magazine regardless of the date the magazine was acquired.

SB 1446 strengthens California's gun control laws by amending the definition of "capacity to accept more than 10 rounds" to mean capable of holding more than 10 rounds of ammunition. Clarifying the definition would also require a person in lawful possession of a large-capacity magazine prior to July 1, 2017, to dispose of the magazine. Long Beach is supportive of these changes to State law.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach supports SB 1446 and respectfully request your signature on Senate Bill 1446 (Hancock).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert Garcia".

Mayor Robert Garcia  
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Anthony Rendon, State Assembly, 63rd District  
The Honorable Ricardo Lara, State Senate, 33rd District  
The Honorable Janet Nguyen, State Senate, 34th District  
The Honorable Isadore Hall, III, State Senate, 35<sup>th</sup> District  
The Honorable Mike Gipson, State Assembly, 64th District  
The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell, State Assembly, 70th District

