



MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA CITY OF LONG BEACH

September 19, 2018

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for SB 1192 (Monning): Children's Meals

Dear Governor Brown:

On the behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of Senate Bill 1192 (Monning). This legislation sets nutritional standards pertaining to drinks offered with children's meals at restaurants. It requires the default beverage to be water or milk with no more than 130 calories per serving.

The City of Long Beach recognizes the dangers of childhood obesity and its connection to sugar-sweetened beverages. SB 1192 is in line with the City's Default Beverage Ordinance. In Long Beach, restaurants that offer children's meals that include a beverage must serve a default beverage of either water, milk, or 100-percent fruit juice. The appropriate options for water and milk include water, sparkling water or flavored water with no artificial sweeteners or additives and nonfat, 1-percent milk, or non-dairy milk alternatives under 130 calories per serving.

Limiting the number of sugary beverages offered with children's meals contributes to the overall health and well-being of our communities. Long Beach appreciates that this legislation is consistent with our municipal ordinance and allows cities to adopt even stricter ordinances.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach supports SB 1192 (Monning) and requests your signature on this bill.

Sincerely,

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

Mayor Robert Garcia
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Speaker Anthony Rendon, State Assembly
The Honorable Steven Bradford, State Senate, 35th District
The Honorable Ricardo Lara, State Senate, 33rd District
The Honorable Janet Nguyen, State Senate, 34th District
The Honorable Mike Gipson, State Assembly, 64th District
The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell, State Assembly, 70th District