



MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA
CITY OF LONG BEACH

April 14, 2021

The Honorable John P. Sarbanes
United States House of Representatives
2370 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Support for H.R. 1—The For the People Act

Dear Representative Sarbanes,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of H.R. 1, the For the People Act. On March 23, 2021, the Long Beach City Council unanimously voted to support this proposal to strengthen and ensure voting rights across the country.

The For the People Act proposes several provisions to expand and protect voter eligibility nationwide. It would implement automatic voter registration, allow same-day registration, and require each registered voter receive a mailed ballot and be able to vote early. To better protect fair and equitable elections, the Act includes security measures such as sharing intelligence information with state election officials, supporting states in securing their election systems, developing a national strategy to protect U.S. democratic institutions, and establishing in the legislative branch the National Commission to Protect United States Democratic Institutions.

The City supports proposals that enable cities to maximize their ability to efficiently and effectively administer local elections, including legislation to allow municipal elections officials to mail out official election-related materials. For these reasons, the City supports the For the People Act.

Sincerely,

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

Mayor Robert Garcia
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Senator Alex Padilla
The Honorable Congressman Alan Lowenthal, 47th District
The Honorable Congressman Nanette Barragan, 44th District