May 18, 2022

The Honorable Scott Wiener  
California State Senate  
1021 O Street, Suite 6630  
Sacramento, CA 95814  

RE: Support for SB 107 (Wiener) – Gender-Affirming Healthcare

Dear Senator Wiener,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write to support SB 107. This legislation will provide refuge to transgender youth and their families who are relocating to California from a state that does not sanction gender-affirming healthcare.

SB 107 aligns with the City’s objectives to support policies and legislation for transgender inclusivity. The City has a strong history of advancing diversity and inclusiveness. For ten years in a row, Long Beach has received a perfect score from the Human Rights Campaign’s Municipal Equality Index and has been named one of the best cities in the nation for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) inclusion in municipal law and policy.

The City strongly supports respecting the rights of all individuals and providing safe refuge for youth seeking gender-affirming healthcare in California. Protecting the physical and mental well-being of our nation’s youth, as proposed by SB 107, is of the utmost importance.

For these reasons, the City supports SB 107.

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Garcia  
City of Long Beach

cc:  The Honorable Speaker Anthony Rendon, State Assembly  
     The Honorable Lena Gonzalez, State Senate, 33rd District  
     The Honorable Tom Umberg, State Senate, 34th District  
     The Honorable Steven Bradford, State Senate, 35th District  
     The Honorable Mike Gipson, State Assembly, 64th District  
     The Honorable Patrick O’Donnell, State Assembly, 70th District