



**MAYOR REX RICHARDSON**  
**CITY OF LONG BEACH**

September 17, 2025

**RE: Signature Request for AB 144 (Gabriel)—Health**

Dear Governor Newsom,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach (City), the City strongly requests your signature for **AB 144 (Gabriel)** which would protect Californian's access to safe and effective vaccines.

AB 144 would establish the baseline for vaccine coverage as the immunization schedule recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF), the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) on January 1, 2025. AB 144 would also authorize the California Department of Public Health to modify or supplement baseline vaccine recommendations by taking into account guidance from leading medical organizations such as the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

The City is committed to ensuring residents have access to transparent public health information and resources, including preventative services like vaccines. Providing additional information and evidence-based recommendations for vaccines through the support of AB 144 will ensure Long Beach residents are able to make the best decision for their own personal health and wellbeing. For these reasons, the City requests your signature of AB 144.

Sincerely,

**Rex Richardson**

Mayor of Long Beach