

Subject: Letter of Support for SB 982- Crimes: Organized Theft

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Senator Aisha Wahab State Capitol, Room 2080 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Wahab,

I am writing on behalf of the City of Vista to express our strong support for your proposed bill, SB 982, regarding Crimes: organized theft.

Organized theft has become a growing concern in our community, impacting businesses, residents, and law enforcement agencies. The provisions outlined in SB 982 will help address this issue by providing law enforcement with the tools and resources needed to combat organized theft effectively.

The City of Vista believes that SB 982 will not only help reduce crime rates but also improve public safety and enhance the overall quality of life for our residents. We commend your efforts in addressing this critical issue and stand behind your proposed legislation.

We urge you to continue advocating for SB 982 and hope that it will receive the necessary support to become law. Thank you for your dedication to keeping our communities safe and secure.

Sincerely

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