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SUPERVISOR, FIFTH DISTRICT
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April 13, 2016

Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez
California State Assembly
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblywoman Gonzalez:

This letter is written in support of your bill, A.B. 2470. After reviewing the information and reasoning behind this bill, it is apparent that A.B. 2470 will help ensure adequate and safe water for the Sycuan Reservation and its enterprises.

Currently, the Sycuan Tribe's original reservation is served through groundwater wells in a fractured rock system. While the tribe presently has an adequate supply of groundwater, in the event of an earthquake, wildfire, prolonged drought or other public safety emergency, that water supply could be compromised. These impacts could be irreversible leaving the tribe, its members, employees and customers severely harmed by inadequate or unsafe water supplies.

I understand that A.B. 2470 would authorize the tribe to purchase water, under the same terms and conditions as others, from an adjacent municipal water district. This bill also recognizes the special status of a sovereign Indian tribe and its government to government relationship with the state.

Thank you for offering A.B. 2470 and accepting my support for this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Horn", written over a horizontal line.

Bill Horn
Supervisor, 5th District
County of San Diego