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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.  
Governor, State of California  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: AB 1461 (Gonzalez, Alejo, McCarty) – Request for Signature**

Dear Governor Brown:

We are writing to urge you to support and sign AB 1461 (Gonzalez, Alejo, McCarty), the California New Motor Voter Act, into law.

Voting is the cornerstone of the American democracy. With California ranked 38th in the nation in voter registration among eligible citizens, the need for new laws that promote and ease the voter registration process is clear. AB 1461 will be a critical and major step to ensuring the voices of citizens are heard through their votes.

This important legislation will be of great benefit to low income and minority working men and women throughout California, who make up a vast majority of the 6.6 million eligible but unregistered voters. Many of the people who will be directly affected by AB 1461 would not otherwise have the opportunity to register and participate in our democratic process. The California New Motor Voter Act will utilize modern technology to facilitate the ability of those whose jobs limit their ability to register to become actively engaged citizens.

Ultimately, AB 1461 will create an avenue for the millions of unregistered voters, who are mainly Latino, Asian American and Pacific Islander, and young Californians to become a part of the democratic process that will determine their futures and that of our local communities, our state, and our nation.

If you have any questions, please contact Clark Lee, Director of Political Affairs and Communications for the Los Angeles County Democratic Party, at (213) 382-1211 or [clarklee@lacdparty.org](mailto:clarklee@lacdparty.org).

We thank you for your consideration and urge you to sign AB 1461 into law.

Sincerely,

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