



# Monterey County

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## Board Order

Upon motion of Supervisor Potter seconded by Supervisor Armenta and carried by those members present, the Board of Supervisors hereby:

Approved and authorized the Chair to sign a letter to Monterey County's State Legislative Representatives supporting legislation that would provide an exemption from the current Two Percent (2%) cap for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County to pursue a local sales tax measure for transportation, subject to voter approval in 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2015, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Armenta, Phillips, Salinas, Parker and Potter

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 78 for the meeting on September 1, 2015

Dated: September 9, 2015

File ID: 15-0968

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

By Denise Hancock  
Deputy

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September 1, 2015

The Honorable Mark Stone  
29<sup>th</sup> Assembly District  
State Capitol  
P.O. Box 942849  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0029  
Via email to: [Craig.Scholer@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Craig.Scholer@asm.ca.gov)

### **RE: SUPPORT FOR MONTEREY COUNTY SALES TAX LIMIT MEASURE**

Dear Assemblymember Stone,

On behalf of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, I am writing to express our support for legislation that would provide an exemption from the current two percent cap for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County to pursue a local sales tax measure, subject to voter approval, for transportation in 2016.

Existing law authorizes various local governmental entities to levy a transactions and use tax for specific purposes, in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law, including a requirement that the combined rate of all taxes that may be imposed under that law in the county may not exceed 2%.

TAMC is considering a 3/8% (0.375%) countywide transportation investment measure, aiming for the November 2016 ballot. However, with other non-transportation tax measures proposed by Monterey County jurisdictions, there will not be sufficient capacity under the 2% local option sales tax cap countywide. The TAMC Board agreed that it is important to continue to pursue a \$20 million/year sales tax measure to provide critically needed investments into Monterey County's transportation system.

This special legislation to provide an exemption to the 2% local option cap would allow TAMC to proceed with its proposed 3/8% sales tax measure. Monterey County's transportation system is in need of critical fixes to provide safer ways for people to get around and get to work, school, and businesses, to support our economy.

The mission of TAMC is to develop and maintain a multimodal transportation system that enhances mobility, safety, access, environment quality and economic activities in Monterey County. The reliability of federal and state funding for transportation needs has become tenuous and challenging. There is a significant funding shortfall, making it difficult to maintain existing roads, or to make needed safety and mobility improvements. Many counties have opted to become "self-help" counties with voter approved transportation measures dedicated to meet their local needs. An important component of becoming a "self-help" county is that the community controls the funds and determines how the funds are spent.

I strongly urge you to support TAMC's effort to make Monterey County a "self-help" county to fund transportation infrastructure. Thank you for supporting efforts to improve transportation in California.

Sincerely,

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Simón Salinas  
Chair, Board of Supervisors



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September 1, 2015

The Honorable Luis Alejo  
30<sup>th</sup> Assembly District  
State Capitol  
P.O. Box 942849  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0030  
Via email to: [Tony.Madrigal@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Tony.Madrigal@asm.ca.gov)

### **RE: SUPPORT FOR MONTEREY COUNTY SALES TAX LIMIT MEASURE**

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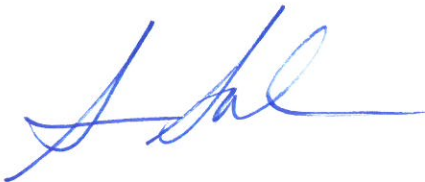
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September 1, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Cannella  
12<sup>th</sup> Senate District  
State Capitol, Room 5082  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Via email to: [Meredith.Evans@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Meredith.Evans@sen.ca.gov)

### **RE: SUPPORT FOR MONTEREY COUNTY SALES TAX LIMIT MEASURE**

Dear Senator Cannella,

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September 1, 2015

The Honorable Bill Monning  
Senate Majority Leader  
17<sup>th</sup> Senate District  
State Capitol, Room 313  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Via email to: [Tobias.Uptain-Villa@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Tobias.Uptain-Villa@sen.ca.gov)

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