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February 8, 2021

The Honorable Steven Glazer, Chair  
Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

### Re: SB 74 (Borgeas) Keep California Working Act – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Glazer:

The County of Monterey is pleased to support Senate Bill 74, which would invest \$2.6 billion in grants to help small businesses and nonprofits that have sustained financial losses resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 has had a significant impact on every aspect of our lives. Many small businesses are struggling to survive and the demand for services provided by nonprofits has increased while their sources of funding have decreased.

At a time when small businesses throughout the state are being devastated by the overwhelming impacts of COVID-19, the Legislature should prioritize the health and safety of our communities, while also supporting a responsible and sustainable way to recover our economy. The Keep California Working Act will relieve some of the financial burden that small businesses and non-profits have been facing and help save these important parts of our communities.

For these reasons, Monterey County strongly supports SB 74 (Borgeas). Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Monterey County's Public Policy Advisor, Ashley Walker of Nossaman LLP at 916-442-8888.

Sincerely,

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Wendy Root Askew  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Cc: Members, Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee  
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