

February 9, 2026

Senator Scott Wiener
1021 O Street, Suite 8620
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – SB 747 (Wiener): Civil Rights: Deprivation of Federal Constitutional Rights, Privileges, and Immunities.

Dear Senator Wiener,

On behalf of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, I write in strong support of SB 747 (Wiener), which creates the No Kings Act and establishes a meaningful cause of action for the violation of one's constitutional rights by a government official, including recovery of fees and costs, with retroactive application. SB 747 is a necessary and timely step to reinforce the fundamental principle that no one is above the law.

We have watched with growing alarm as communities across the nation have been subjected to aggressive and often unlawful federal actions. These actions have eroded public trust, inflicted lasting harm, and in some cases resulted in the tragic loss of life. Californians have had their constitutional rights violated by masked federal agents acting with impunity, targeting some of our most vulnerable residents. Such conduct terrorizes communities throughout the nation, undermines the rule of law, and strikes at the very core of our constitutional democracy.

Government officials must be held to the highest standard, and when they grossly abuse their authority or violate the constitutional rights of Californians, they must be held to account. As elected officials, we have a duty to protect our residents and ensure meaningful redress when those rights are violated. To this end, SB 747 advances this obligation by ensuring accountability when government actions infringe upon the constitutional rights of Californians. This bill creates a clear legal pathway to defend their constitutional rights and hold government officials for unlawful conduct.

For these reasons, we support SB 747, which creates the No Kings Act and provides a cause of action for the violation of one's constitutional rights by a government official. Should you have any questions, please contact Senior Policy Advisor, Ashley Walker at 916-930-7780.

Sincerely,

Wendy Root Askew
Chair

County of Monterey Board of Supervisors