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Lili Bosse, Mayor

March 27, 2023

The Honorable Aisha Wahab
Chair, Senate Public Safety Committee
1021 O Street, Room 2200
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 44 (Umberg) – Controlled substances
City of Beverly Hills – SUPPORT

Dear Chair Wahab:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the City of Beverly Hills to express our strong support for **SB 44**, also known as Alexandra's Law. We commend your efforts to address the dangers of fentanyl-related drug offenses, and we believe that this legislation is a critical step in protecting the residents of Beverly Hills and all Californians from the devastating consequences of crimes related to the manufacture and distribution of fentanyl-related drugs.

Fentanyl-related drug offenses have become a major public health crisis in our state, and the consequences of these crimes are far-reaching and devastating. Individuals who manufacture and distribute controlled substances like fentanyl not only put their own lives at risk but also the lives of countless others who may come into contact with these dangerous substances. The potential for overdose and death is extremely high, and the impacts on families and communities are profound.

SB 44 would require a written advisory or admonishment be issued to a person convicted of a fentanyl-related drug offense, notifying the person of the danger of manufacturing and distributing controlled substances and of potential future criminal liability if another individual dies as a result of that person's actions. This measure would help to educate those convicted of fentanyl-related drug offenses about the serious consequences of these crimes, and it would also provide a deterrent to those who may be considering engaging in this type of activity.

The City of Beverly Hills strongly supports **SB 44** and believes that it is a crucial step in addressing the fentanyl crisis in our state. We urge you to vote in favor of this bill and help protect our communities from the devastating consequences of fentanyl-related drug offenses.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to improving public health and safety in California.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lili Bosse". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lili Bosse
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

CC: The Honorable Thomas Umberg, Senator, 34th District
Senators and Consultants, Public Safety Committee
The Honorable Ben Allen, Senator, 24th District
The Honorable Rick Zbur, Assemblymember, 51st District
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