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September 5, 2024

Hon. Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
1021 O Street, Suite 9000
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Assembly Bill 1785 (Pacheco), as amended May 29, 2024—Request for Signature

Dear Governor Newsom:

The Judicial Council respectfully requests your signature on Assembly Bill 1785, which amends Government Code Section 7928.205 to prohibit the public posting of the home address, telephone number, or both the name and assessor parcel number associated with the home address of any elected or appointed official on the internet without first obtaining the written permission of that individual. The Judicial Council has consistently supported legislation aimed at protecting the privacy of judges and the protection of their home address information because it promotes judicial independence and integrity. Judges must feel that they and their families are secure from threats of violence or other harm in order to fairly adjudicate the many contentious and high conflict cases that come before them. AB 1785 closes an existing loophole and helps to ensure that judges' home address information is kept confidential.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council strongly supports AB 1785 and requests your signature.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Tracy Kenny at 916-323-3121.

Sincerely,

Cory T. Jaspersen
Director, Governmental Affairs

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cc: Hon. Blanca Pacheco, Member of the Assembly, 64th District
Jith Meganathan, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor
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June 6, 2024

Hon. Thomas J. Umberg, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 3240
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Assembly Bill 1785 (Pacheco), as amended May 29, 2024—Support
Hearing: Senate Judiciary Committee—June 11, 2024

Dear Senator Umberg:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1785, which amends current Government Code Section 7928.205 to prohibit the public posting of the home address, telephone number, or both the name and assessor parcel number associated with the home address of any elected or appointed official on the internet without first obtaining the written permission of that individual. The Judicial Council has consistently supported legislation aimed at protecting the privacy of judges and the protection of their home address information because it promotes judicial independence and integrity. Judges must feel that they and their families are secure from threats of violence or other harm in order to fairly adjudicate the many contentious and high conflict cases that come before them. AB 1785 will close an existing loophole and help to ensure that judges' home address information is kept confidential.

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cc: Members, Senate Judiciary Committee
Hon. Blanca Pacheco, Member of the Assembly
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March 26, 2024

Hon. Ash Kalra, Chair
Assembly Judiciary Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 4610
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Assembly Bill 1785 (Pacheco), as introduced January 03, 2024—Support
Hearing: Assembly Judiciary Committee—April 2, 2024

Dear Assembly Member Kalra:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1785, which amends current Government Code Section 7928.205 to clarify that the definition of “home address” includes the use of an assessor’s parcel number which can be converted into a home address, because it would promote the safety and security of judges. The Judicial Council has consistently supported legislation aimed at protecting the privacy of judges and the protection of their home address information because it promotes judicial independence and integrity. Judges must feel that they and their families are secure from threats of violence or other harm in order to fairly adjudicate the many contentious and high conflict cases that come before them. AB 1785 will close an existing loophole and help to ensure that judges’ home address information is kept confidential.

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