

September 18, 2014

Governor Jerry Brown
State Capital, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95614



[Submitted via Governor's online submission form]

Re: SB270 – Single Use Plastic Bags

Honorable Governor Brown:

The Marin Conservation League in Marin County has been actively engaged in preserving Marin County's natural assets for over 80 years. We have worked to reduce the level of waste and litter on our roadways, waterways and public spaces. Consistent with this policy, we have urged Marin's cities and towns to adopt ordinances which discourage the use of single use plastic bags and encourage use of reusable bags in their place. Although we are pleased that several cities have adopted ordinances to achieve this goal, others have not. This uneven situation cries out for a common rule for all businesses across our county and the state.

The Senate and Assembly have now passed SB 270 and it is on your desk for signature. We urge you to sign this bill. Your approval of SB 270 would help to achieving a desirable goal in a manner that was uniform across the entire state.

Your support of SB 270 would also reinforce the existing states policies that mandate a 75% recycling goal by 2020 and support compliance with State Water Quality Control Board mandates that municipalities reduce trash in the storm runoff from streets, and drains into California's streams, bays and oceans.

Thank you for your leadership and support for a better California.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jon Elam".

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