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Honorable Kathryn Barger Los Angeles County Supervisor – Fifth District Los Angeles County Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 869 Los Angeles, CA 90012

SUBJECT: LETTER OF OPPOSITION TO THE CONVERSION OF THE AFFLERBAUGH-PAIGE AND GLENN ROCKEY CAMPS TO SECURE YOUTH TREATMENT FACILITIES

Dear Supervisor Barger:

On behalf of the City of Glendora, I write to express the City's concern and opposition to the proposed conversion of the Afflerbaugh-Page and Glenn Rockey non-violent juvenile offender camps to secure youth treatment facilities intended to house the most serious criminal offenders incarcerated for murder, rape, robbery, assault, and other violent felonies. The City understands and supports the provision of needed rehabilitative services, but firmly believes that they must be developed in partnership with the affected local jurisdictions.

Glendora recognizes Los Angeles County must comply with the juvenile justice realignment implemented under Senate Bill 823 which was signed by Governor Newsom in 2020. This law shifts the responsibility for incarcerating violent and serious offenders from the state to the counties, so that offenders are housed closer to their families and communities, and to treatment and social services. To meet the rehabilitative intent of realignment, it may be misplaced to consider use of the camps in La Verne and San Dimas given that that these sites are located high in the San Gabriel Mountains, are removed from treatment and supportive services, and have limited access, including no public transportation options. Facilities located closer to families, communities and needed services would better meet the County's goal of creating a "rehabilitative, health-focused and care-first system" for the incarcerated. It is because of this goal that Glendora urges Los Angeles County to reevaluate the process undertaken and reexamine the work previously completed to determine the optimal location for this facility.

It should also be reiterated that every effort must be undertaken to ensure that surrounding jurisdictions are actively engaged and consulted on the planned operations at these facilities. As the Cities of La Verne, Claremont, and San Dimas have expressed separately, several essential elements relating to the operation of the proposed facilities have not yet been developed. This information is critical to help inform these communities and their concerned residents transparently, particularly as well-established communities must be traversed to access these locations.

The City of Glendora appreciates your consideration and attention to this letter and your leadership on this matter of significance to the San Gabriel Valley.

Sincerely,

Karen Davis

Mayor

CC: Glendora City Council

Honorable Emmett Badar, Mayor – City of San Dimas Honorable Tim Hepburn, Mayor – City of La Verne Honorable Jed Leano, Mayor – City of Claremont