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Honorable Senator Toni G. Atkins  
Senate President Pro Tempore  
1021 O Street, Suite 8518  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJECT: ASSEMBLY BILL 1886 (COOPER) – PUBLIC WORKS: DEFINITION – LETTER OF OPPOSITION (AS AMENDED AUGUST 24, 2022)**

Dear Senate President Pro Tempore Atkins,

The City of Glendora strongly opposes Assembly Bill (AB) 1886 (Cooper). This bill would expand the definition of “public works” for the purpose of the payment of prevailing wages, to also include street sweeping maintenance performed for the preservation, protection, and keeping of any publicly owned or publicly operated street, road, or highway done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of public funds.

If passed, this bill would have a devastating effect on the budgets of cities that contract for street sweeping services. Contractors would be required to pay the prevailing wage to their employees, drastically increasing their labor costs, which in turn would be passed on to the cities and our taxpayers. With the current high inflationary economic environment and a looming recession, now is not the time for cities to pass this added cost to our hardworking residents.

In addition, cities are already under tremendous pressure at extensive expense to comply with numerous federal and state regulations related to keeping our roads and streets clean. This bill further compounds that pressure by likely forcing cities to consider reducing street sweeping schedules to try to keep costs down, at the expense of well-maintained roads and streets that our residents deserve to enjoy, as well as its eventual impact to the environment.

For these reasons, the City of Glendora strongly opposes AB 1886.

Sincerely,

Karen Davis  
Mayor

cc: Honorable Jim Cooper, Assemblymember  
Honorable Anthony Portantino, Senator  
Honorable Blanca Rubio Assemblymember  
Glendora City Council