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July 31, 2007

The Honorable Christine Kehoe
Senate District 39
State Capitol, Room 4038
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Conditional Support for SB10 – San Diego County Regional Airport Authority Reform Act

Dear Senator Kehoe:

On July 20, 2007 the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association (SDCTA) voted to support Senate Bill 10 (SB 10), the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (SDCRAA) Act, with two provisos:

- 1) The SDCRAA Board of Directors shall not be given the authority to modify the amount of their compensation.
- 2) Approval of the annual internal and external audits including performance monitoring; the Office of the Chief Auditor's Annual Audit Plan for each fiscal year submitted to the board for approval; and actions recommending or approving debt financing for the Airport Authority, shall require an affirmative vote by at least five Audit Committee Members.

SDCTA supports the goals of SB 10 to reform the current governance structure of the SDCRAA; promote long-range planning for airports in local general plans and regional transportation strategies; strengthen the SDCRAA's responsibility to maximize the effective operation of San Diego International Airport; and enhance SDCRAA's fiscal accountability by expanding the Audit Committee to include three public voting members.

We appreciate the opportunities you have given us to provide feedback and recommendations on this legislation, and we are pleased to see that the bill incorporates many of our suggestions to date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lani Lutar", written in a cursive style.

Lani Lutar
President & CEO

cc: The Honorable Joel Anderson The Honorable George Plescia
The Honorable Denise Ducheny The Honorable Mary Salas
The Honorable Martin Garrick The Honorable Lori Saldana
The Honorable Dennis Hollingsworth The Honorable Mimi Walters
The Honorable Shirley Horton The Honorable Mark Wyland