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The Honorable Ben Allen, Chair
Senate Committee on Environmental Quality
State Capitol, Room 2205
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Allen:

SUPPORT – ASSEMBLY BILL 504 (McCARTY) AS INTRODUCED ON FEBRUARY 9, 2021 – SOLID WASTE: COMMERCIAL AND ORGANIC WASTE: RECYCLING BINS

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **supports** Assembly Bill 504 (AB 504), as introduced on February 9, 2021.

The proposed legislation, if enacted, would provide recycling and organics container exemptions for mobile food service facilities within amusement parks and other similar attractions for food vendors that are not full-service restaurants. The bill would authorize such facilities subject to the organic waste recycling services requirement to implement recycling organic waste alternatives that yield results comparable to or greater in volume and quality to results attained by providing an organic waste recycling bin or container.

The Task Force supports the proposed legislation because the bill would provide reasonable exemptions and alternative options for a business subject to the organic waste recycling services requirement.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939), the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County with a combined population in excess of ten million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated and cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in Los Angeles County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles

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County Division, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **Supports** AB 504. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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