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The Honorable Susan Bonilla
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4140
Sacramento, CA 95814
VIA FAX: (916) 319-2114

**RE: AB 2697 (Bonilla) Redevelopment Dissolution (as introduced)
Notice of Opposition**

Dear Assembly Member Bonilla:

The City of Vista is writing to express our opposition to AB 2697 (Bonilla) relating to redevelopment dissolution.

This measure is coming very late in the dissolution process and it subjects successor agency property to the Surplus Property Act. Many properties have already been transferred from the successor agencies to cities—to be used for government purposes. In most instances, the properties that were purchased for affordable housing development were previously transferred to cities in their capacity as the housing successors.

Imposing new procedural and substantive requirements for the disposition of former RDA properties at this time would no doubt complicate and delay the wind down process. Additionally, it would work to the disadvantage of the local taxing entities which have an interest in obtaining maximum value for the properties to be sold and or get the benefit of increased valuations from the properties that are to be used for economic development.

For these reasons, the City of Vista opposes AB 2697.

Sincerely,

Judy Ritter
Mayor

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