June 28, 2019

The Honorable Bill Monning
State Capitol, Room 4040
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 200 Drinking Water.

Position: Support

Dear Senator Monning:

On behalf of the Regional Water Authority ("RWA"), I am writing to express RWA’s position of Support on SB 200, as amended June, 27, 2019, your measure related to the provision of safe drinking water.

RWA is a joint powers agency representing 21 public water suppliers in Sacramento, Placer, El Dorado, Yolo, and Sutter Counties. RWA’s mission is to protect and enhance the reliability, availability, affordability and quality of water resources for our members. To meet our mission, adapting to climate change and advancing the human right to water in our service areas are our top priorities.

SB 200 would, provide for a durable funding solution, primarily out of Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds, to ensure all Californians have access to safe drinking water.

When SB 200 becomes law the hard work of implementation will begin. RWA stands ready to assist in ensuring that implementation allows for RWA to continue to meet its mission while proving all Californians access to a basic human need.

For these reasons, RWA supports SB 200. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Ryan Ojakian of RWA’s Staff at (916) 967-7692 or rojakian@rwah2o.org.

Sincerely,

James Peifer
Executive Director