

# Excelsior District Improvement Association

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TO: Assemblywoman Fiona Ma  
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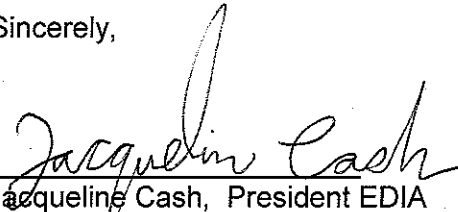
RE: Support for Assembly Bill 1767

The Excelsior District Improvement Association (EDIA) has been made aware of Assembly Bill 1767, which would add graffiti vandalism to the types of cases for which civil compromise is not allowed.

Incidents of graffiti crimes are increasing in our neighborhood. Neighbors and merchants are increasingly frustrated by the inability to successfully prosecute graffiti offenders. We feel that graffiti offenses are significant crimes which contribute to disrespect of our community and degradation of our quality of life. Graffiti is an offense against the community, not simply an imposition on the affected property owner.

We wish to register our support of AB1767, which will close the civil compromise loophole which currently allows graffiti offenders to side-step legal accountability for their misbehavior.

Sincerely,

  
Jacqueline Cash, President EDIA

cc:

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