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The Honorable Jackie Irwin
Member, California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for AB 1779 – Theft: Jurisdiction

Dear Assemblymember Irwin:

The City of Cupertino is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1779, which would remove the jurisdictional limitations for theft offenses that occur throughout several counties. The Cupertino City Council voted unanimously to support this bill on May 7, 2024.

Retail theft continues to be a problem in nearly all California communities, especially throughout the Bay Area. In Cupertino, various retail stores have experienced retail theft crimes. This bill is critical in empowering local prosecutors to fully prosecute offenders that are often operating in multiple counties.

As public safety transcends local and regional boundaries, it is crucial that statewide initiatives aimed to reform the criminal justice system prioritize public wellbeing and safety. Expanding coordination and abilities of District Attorneys to work together to prosecute theft offenses that occur in several counties will help ensure offenders are held accountable.

This bill furthers the City's goal to improve the health and well-being of all Cupertino community members specifically when related to public safety. For these reasons, the City of Cupertino is pleased to support AB 1779.

Sincerely,

Sheila Mohan
Mayor, City of Cupertino

Cc: Senator Dave Cortese
Assemblymember Evan Low
Santa County Clara Sherrif's Office