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The Honorable Anna Caballero
30th Assembly District
P.O. Box 942849
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**Re: Assembly Bill 2050 (Caballero): The Small System Water Authority Act of 2018
– Support**

Dear Assembly Member Caballero:

Jurupa Community Services District (JCSD) is pleased to support *AB 2050 - The Small System Water Authority Act of 2018*. Water accessibility is a concern in many regions throughout the state and we wish to thank you for addressing this complex issue. The State Water Resource Control Board has identified 282 systems (as of March 13, 2018) that cannot provide safe drinking water to its customers. These systems often serve less than 10,000 people, are typically located in disadvantaged communities, and are largely privately owned or mutual water companies.

AB 2050 offers sustainable governance reform by establishing a new category of public water agency by merging non-compliant drinking water systems with compliant water systems. The compliant system will absorb, improve, and provide technical, managerial and financial capabilities in a sustainable method to ensure the delivery of safe, affordable and accessible water.

JCSD has worked toward the goal of safe, reliable water for over 50 years by absorbing small mutual water company systems that couldn't support a growing population. Many of these are now located in DAC areas. To date, there still exists one small private water system in our area that is in desperate need of improvements. Their only water source, a groundwater well, is significantly impacted by high nitrate levels. We hope that AB 2050 will give us the legislative framework to help. Our previous grant efforts to develop a project have not been successful but elements of AB 2050 offer new options to improve the situation.

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By establishing lasting changes to the governance structures of failing water systems, the state of California will take substantial steps toward achieving their goal of safe and reliable drinking water for all Californians. Thank you for your support in addressing water accessibility issues. If JCSD can be of further assistance, please contact me at tcorbin@jcsd.us.

Sincerely,



Todd M. Corbin
General Manager

cc: Danielle Coats, EMWD