



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Office of the General Manager

June 2, 2022

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jerry McNerney
United States House of Representatives
2265 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: Support for S. 4279/H.R. 7847, the Water Efficiency, Conservation, and Sustainability Act Of 2022

Dear Senator Padilla and Representative McNerney:

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) is pleased to support the Water Efficiency, Conservation, and Sustainability Act Of 2022, S. 4279/H.R. 7847. Metropolitan is a regional wholesaler that provides water for our 26 member agencies to deliver, either directly or through their sub-agencies, to the ~19 million people living in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura counties.

As our water supplies are increasingly stressed by drought and climate change, every drop saved is a drop we need. We can no longer afford to lose a single drop of water to waste or inefficiency. This legislation helps solve the problem by authorizing funding for water efficiency and conservation grants and water loss control programs. Addressing this needless loss of water will help Californians save water and create jobs.

Your leadership in developing this legislation is greatly appreciated. We look forward to working with you and your staff to advance the Water Efficiency, Conservation, and Sustainability Act Of 2022 this Congress.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Hagekhalil".

Adel H. Hagekhalil
General Manager