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BILL – (For introduction) Repealing Section 4-111 of the Fresno Municipal Code and adding Section 4-111 to the Fresno Municipal Code relating to Project Labor Agreements – Council President Brandau

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Steve Brandau, Council President Fresno City Council 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721

Dear Council President Brandau:

Re: Support Agenda Item 3-C ID#14-549 BILL - (For Introduction) - Repealing Section 4-111 of the Fresno Municipal Code and adding Section 4-111 to the Fresno Municipal Code relating to Project Labor Agreements

Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) is a national construction trade association of 70 chapters representing 22,000 members with more than 2 million employees. The ABC Northern California Chapter represents 500 construction and construction related firms. Our members perform commercial, industrial and public works construction. Many of our Fresno area members perform work for the City of Fresno. We also operate state and federally approved apprenticeship programs in several trades.

The City of Fresno has had a longstanding Project Labor Agreement (PLA) ban or Fair and Open Competition ordinance in place since 2000, the first of its kind in the nation. Since the Fresno PLA ban, twenty-two states and numerous local governments in California have enacted such policies.

Due to the growing success and popularity of Fair and Open Competition policies, the State Legislature passed <u>SB 922</u> in 2011 to disqualify charter cities from receiving state funding or financial assistance who had PLA bans by a charter provision, initiative, or ordinance in effect prior to November 1, 2011 effective January 1, 2015.

ABC supports local government ordinances that increase opportunities for all workers regardless of their affiliation and prohibit anti-competitive or discriminatory provisions in public contracts (Project Labor Agreements) funded by taxpayers. To that end, we support the passage of ID#14-549 as it will reinstate the City of Fresno's original Project Labor Agreement Ban Ordinance upon the entry of a final judgment invalidating Public Contract Code Sections 2500-2503 (Senate Bills Numbers 829 (2011) and 922 (2012)).

ABC Northern California applauds the City of Fresno for its leadership and continued commitment to finding solutions that protect precious taxpayers dollars by ensuring use of the most qualified contractors at the best price.

Sincerely,

Government Affairs Director

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