



December 1, 2024

Senator Anthony Portantino
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RE: Thank you for your service

Dear Senator Portantino,

As your term of office comes to an end, we want to thank you for your service to the state and our community. We deeply appreciate your legislative work to improve our lives, particularly in the following areas:

Public Education: You worked to increase funding for special education and the K-12 Local Control Funding Formula. You authored legislation that created California's umbilical cord blood collection program and pushed back school start time for middle and high schools,

Mental Health: Expanded services and increased funding.

Resolving the I-710 Freeway Issue: You personally negotiated the end of the 710-freeway tunnel with the Brown administration and authored SB 7, which formally ended the threat of the freeway, protected the non-profits in the corridor, and paved the way for Pasadena to develop the dormant freeway stub.

Sensible Gun Control: You got legislation passed that banned the open carry of handguns on Main Street California, raised the purchase age of firearms to 21, and placed the suicide hotline number on student identification cards. *(This has been one of our top issues, so a double thank you for this.)*

Again, thank you for all your efforts in your work as a member of the Assembly. It is much appreciated. We wish you success and fulfillment in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

(Print Name & Address) _____
