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The Honorable Christopher Ward
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1021 O Street, Suite 4220
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**ASSEMBLY BILL 1972 (WARD)
SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member Ward:

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1972.

AB 1972 increases the pay of a grand juror from \$15 a day to an amount equal to 70% of the county median daily income for each day's attendance as a grand juror and to be reimbursed for reasonable travel and other costs associated with the performance of duties.

AB 1972 also requires the list of persons selected by the court to serve as grand jurors filed in the jury commissioner's office to contain each juror's name, gender, age, race or ethnicity, and residential zip code or supervisorial district.

The pay for grand jurors in California has not been increased in over 20 years. Our Office believes increasing the pay of grand jurors and ensuring they reflect the demographics of the county in which they serve will lead to greater confidence in the judiciary and the criminal justice system.

For these reasons we are pleased to support AB 1972.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Daniel Felizzatto in my Sacramento Legislative Office at (916) 442-0668.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE GASCÓN
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