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Dear Friends:

I recently was asked about my position on bail reform and want to reiterate my commitment to reforming the existing monetary bail system.

I envision a pretrial release procedure that maintains public safety, ensures court appearances and protects victims' rights without disproportionately affecting low-income arrestees.

My office worked closely with Senator Robert Hertzberg and his staff on changes to Senate Bill 10. I am pleased with the collaboration that led to many of our recommendations being adopted as amendments to the final bill that was passed by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Edmund G. "Jerry" Brown Jr.

I support the new state law and oppose any effort to roll back the bail reform measures we have put in place in California over the past few years.

Cash bail keeps people who cannot pay in jail while those who have the resources are allowed to go free. For public safety reasons, we should release people awaiting trial on serious charges using unbiased assessments of the threat they pose and the likelihood that they will flee.

I will continue to work with Senator Hertzberg and other lawmakers to implement bail and other vital criminal justice reforms.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jackie Lacey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Jackie Lacey
Los Angeles County District Attorney