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Honorable Michelle Rodriguez
California State Assembly
P.O. Box 942849
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Dear Assemblymember Rodriguez:

On behalf of the City of Salinas, I write to express our support for your measure, Assembly Bill (AB) 63. This bill would reinstate language to the California Penal Code prohibiting loitering in a public place with the intent to commit prostitution and make that crime a misdemeanor. The bill would maintain protection by prohibiting law enforcement from making an arrest solely based on an individual's gender identity or sexual orientation.

This bill would allow law enforcement to more effectively address sex trafficking and prostitution in our communities, while providing a mechanism for police officers to approach potential human trafficking victims to provide outreach and offer resources and services. This bill provides a balance of protection, outreach, and interventions to address an issue impacting our community and others.

For these reasons, the City of Salinas supports Assembly Bill 63 and we urge our State legislature to give this vital measure the passage it deserves. We appreciate your leadership on this important issue and look forward to the positive impact AB 63 will have on the City of Salinas and communities across California.

Sincerely,

Dennis Donohue, Mayor
City of Salinas

Cc: City Council
City Manager
City Attorney