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Bakery, Confectionery & Tobacco Workers'

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Assemblyman John Vasconcellos
Chair, Assembly Ways and Means Committee
6026 Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Vasconcellos:

Our local represents workers in bakeries throughout Southern California. I am writing to encourage you to vote no on Assembly Bill 13.

We are very concerned about the impact of this measure on the business and economic climate in our area, which relies heavily on tourism, hospitality, and entertainment business. The definition of workplace will mean that smoking in bars, hotel rooms, and private parties and banquets will all be prohibited. Small business owners will suffer greatly if this measure is enacted.

Rather than a total ban on smoking, we believe that we should allow employers to install efficient and cost effective ventilation systems that will provide a higher level of overall indoor air quality for all workers.

In addition to these items, we do not think that our already overwhelmed law enforcement system should be required to enforce another new mandate. With crime, gangs, and drugs running rampant in our communities, our police officers should not have to respond to disputes over a policy such as this.

Sincerely,

William B. Walton,
President

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cc: Ways and Means Committee Members ✓
Assemblyman Terry Friedman

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