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Thursday, June 16, 2011

Mr. Jeff Britz
City Manager
City of Lemoore
119 Fox Street
Lemoore, CA 93245

Dear Jeff:

With passage of ABX1 26 and ABX1 27 by the Senate and Assembly yesterday, the Legislature has expressed its intent to eliminate redevelopment agencies in California and to violate Proposition 22 by requiring agencies to give up substantial revenues to remain in existence. While we do not know if the Governor will sign these bills, CRA and the League of California Cities must prepare a legal challenge to this unconstitutional and illegal action. We have been preparing for this contingency and have a legal team on board and ready to take action. We write today to ask you to contribute to our legal fund to overturn this legislation should it become law. Many agencies have already contributed and we hope you will join them.

We must protect redevelopment agencies, cities and counties from these unconstitutional actions and resulting chaos, including filing a request for a stay with the court if the Governor signs these bills in order to maintain the *status quo* while the matter is litigated to conclusion. Of course, these legal actions will require financial resources. After constant battles and lawsuits over the past several years to defeat or pass ballot initiatives and to protect redevelopment funds from unconstitutional takings, we are not in a position to absorb the cost of another lawsuit. Invoices were sent out on March 4, 2011 and over 300 agencies and associate members have responded by paying their share of the more than \$725,000 it is anticipated we will need to once again fight this battle in the courts.

The amount of the requested fee is based on the total amount of tax increment that you received in FY 2008-09. The fair share fee for your agency is \$400.00 (See enclosed invoice.) We are asking that you pay it NOW before these bills could become law to ensure that we have the resources we need for legal actions.

Thank you for your support. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris McKenzie".

Christopher McKenzie
Executive Director
League of CA Cities

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John F. Shirey".

John F. Shirey
Executive Director
California Redevelopment Association



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INVOICE NO: 3549

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DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Legal Defense Fund Assessment	1	\$400.00	\$400.00
TOTAL:			\$400.00
AMOUNT PAID:			\$0.00
BALANCE DUE:			\$400.00

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Credit Card Payment Information:
VISA MC AMEX (Circle One)

Card Number: _____ EXP: _____

Signature: _____

3 or 4 digits on back of card: _____

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TOTAL DUE: \$400.00

Make checks payable to:

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