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Appeal No. 23-55431

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

B&L PRODUCTIONS, INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

v.

GAVIN NEWSOM, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of California and in his personal capacity, et al.,

Defendants-Appellees.

ON APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA HONORABLE ANTHONY J. BATTAGLIA CASE NO. 3:21-CV-01718-AJB-DDL

APPELLEE SUMMER STEPHAN'S NOTICE OF JOINDER IN STATE APPELLEES' OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STAY APPEAL

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In response to Appellants' Motion to Stay Appeal in this case, and consistent with Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 28(i) governing briefs in cases involving multiple appellants or appellees, Appellee Summer Stephan, in her official capacity as District Attorney for the County of San Diego, hereby joins in all respects the State Defendants' Response opposing the motion, filed by Appellees Governor Gavin Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta, Secretary of the California Department of Food & Agriculture Karen Ross, and the 22nd District Agricultural Association ("State Appellees").

Appellants' claims in this case challenge a state law and not any local ordinance. Therefore, for the reasons stated in the State Appellees' opposition to Appellants' motion to stay this appeal, Appellee Stephan respectfully requests that the Court deny the motion.

Dated: July 6, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Under Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 27(d)(2)(A) and Ninth Circuit Rule 27-1(1)(c), I certify that the foregoing notice of joinder in opposition to Appellants' motion to stay this appeal is proportionally spaced, has a typeface of 14 point, and contains fewer than 5,200 words.

Dated: July 6, 2023

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