The Honorable Susan Eggman  
California State Assembly, 13th District  
State Capitol, Room 4117  
Sacramento, CA 95814  

RE: AB 1219 (Eggman) California Good Samaritan Food Donation Act.  
City of Beverly Hills – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Eggman:

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write to you in SUPPORT of your AB 1219 (Eggman), which would provide liability protections to individuals and nonprofit organizations who donate food to those in need.

As you know, one out of every eight Californians suffers from food insecurity while much of the state’s food surplus goes to waste. While existing California law protects good faith food donors from civil and criminal liability, edible food is too often discarded. Manufacturers, restaurants, and retailers have cited liability concerns as the primary barrier to donating surplus food.

AB 1219 (Eggman) would expand liability protections to nonprofits and their donors, and allow donations to be made directly to individuals rather than requiring that they go through an intermediary organization before reaching the recipient. Further, this bill would clearly state that donations of past-date food are subject to liability protection. The protections established by this bill would encourage more individuals, businesses, and nonprofits to donate more surplus food and help make use of edible food for Californians in need.
For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills SUPPORTS AB 1219 (Eggman). Thank you for authoring this important legislation.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Lili Bosse
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

cc: The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District
    The Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District
    Andrew K. Antwi, Shaw / Yoder / Antwi, Inc.