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Chair, Legislative Committee
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September 19, 2018

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814
VIA Email: leg.unit@gov.ca.gov

RE: SB 833 (McGuire): Emergencies. Office of Emergency Services. Guidelines. Alert and Warning Systems.
Request for SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Brown,

The Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers urges your signature of SB 833 (McGuire), which would set up guidelines and best practices for emergency alerts across the state to ensure that residents are promptly notified of impending and/or ongoing emergencies.

The size, season, and scope of wildland fire events in California have been getting larger, longer, and worse in terms of the destruction and calamity they inflict in this state. With the North Bay Area Firestorm and Thomas Fires of 2017 and the Mendocino complex fire ranked as the most destructive and deadly in American history, it has become increasingly important to provide additional training and improvements to emergency response led by state and local governments.

SB 833 will help create voluntary uniform guidelines and provide training for local governments to send out emergency alerts notifying residents of evacuation orders.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Alice Fredericks', is written in dark ink.

Alice Fredericks, Chair
Legislative Committee
Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

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