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The Honorable Gavin Newsom  
Governor, State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Recommended Veto of AB 508 (Chu)

Dear Governor Newsom:

I respectfully write to request your veto of Assembly Bill 508, which expands the authority for the California State Water Resources Control Board to order the consolidation of water systems.

While there may be merit to the consolidation of water systems in some communities with poor water quality, this bill goes too far by allowing water systems to consolidate without the consent of domestic well owners. Since this bill states that a domestic well may serve up to four residences, it is wrong to order the consolidation of those currently serviced by a domestic well without the unanimous consent of the well owner, or all of the residences served by that well.

For this reason, I respectfully request your veto.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon Grove", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Shannon Grove  
Senate Republican Leader