



August 28, 2024

The Honorable Maria Elena Durazo  
Chair, Senate Local Government Committee  
State Capitol, Room 407  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJECT: AB 98 (Juan Carrillo & Reyes) – SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Durazo:

California's hospitals share the concerns of the authors and other stakeholders regarding the adverse health impacts of warehouse developments near residential communities due to the emissions from logistics activities. Without clear guidelines, these developments can occur next to health care facilities including hospitals. Research has shown that communities near large warehouse developments have significantly higher risk of developing asthma and other life-threatening health conditions.

On behalf of more than 400 hospitals and health systems, the California Hospital Association (CHA) supports Assembly Bill (AB) 98 to establish reasonable impact mitigation requirements for warehouse developments near "sensitive receptors" which, as defined, includes hospitals and the patients they treat from surrounding residential communities.

AB 98 is a reasonable and thoughtful approach to a complex issue that will protect public health and ensure a resilient and responsible logistics economy.

**For these reasons, CHA requests your "AYE" vote on AB 98.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Farouk", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Farouk  
Vice President, State Advocacy  
California Hospital Association

cc: The Honorable Juan Carrillo  
The Honorable Eloise Reyes  
The Honorable Members of the Senate Local Government Committee  
Anton Favorini-Csorba, Senate Local Government Committee  
Ryan Eisberg, Consultant, Senate Republican Caucus