

Sample Support Letter for AB 1801
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The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1801 Signature Request

Dear Governor Newsom:

I respectfully request your signature on Assembly Bill 1801, which would add "Genocide Remembrance Day" to the list of State Holidays, authorizing community colleges and public schools to close and state employees to take paid time off on April 24.

The need for a state holiday to remember and reflect on genocides is essential. First, many still outright deny some genocidal acts that independent government institutions have proven to have occurred. The act of systematically erasing another group is born out of hate, prejudice, and a lack of empathy. This bill requires that we take a day as a state to reflect on previous and current acts of Genocide and to raise awareness to help prevent further atrocities. It also recognizes the generational trauma these groups deal with while allowing them to heal.

AB 1801 passed with unanimous, bi-partisan support in the Assembly and the Senate and is especially pertinent to California as it has provided refuge from these atrocities to various communities, such as Armenian, Assyrian, Jewish, Cambodian, Rwandan, and many others. I respectfully urge your signature for AB 1801.

For these reasons, [Name of Your Organization] supports AB 1801 and respectfully requests your "Aye" vote.

Sincerely,

YOUR NAME

Your Title

cc: Adrin Nazarian, Member, 46th Assembly District (Author)
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