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The Honorable Gene Mullin
California State Assembly
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**AB 2544 (Mullin)
SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Mullin,

The California State PTA has taken a SUPPORT position on AB 2544, your bill that would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a plan and make recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor on the development of a model civic education staff development program.

Delegates at the annual California State PTA convention in 2006 passed a resolution, *Support for the Civic Mission of Schools*, expressing the PTA's commitment to make civic learning a priority in our schools. The California State PTA actively supports efforts to promote the fulfillment of the civic mission of schools and to help students attain the knowledge and skills to participate in the democratic process and to become effective citizens. AB 2544 is an important first step in this difficult budget year.

The California State PTA strongly supported AB 1537, the bill you authored last year, and we are pleased that you have introduced AB 2544. PTA continues to work closely with our partners in the Campaign for the Civic Mission of Schools. Please let us know how PTA can help to ensure the passage of AB 2544.

Sincerely,

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