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April 27, 2018

Hon. Nancy Skinner, Chair Senate Public Safety Committee State Capitol, Room 2059 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Assembly Bill 2322 (Daly), as introduced – Support Hearing: Senate Public Safety Committee – May 15, 2018

Dear Senator Skinner:

The Judicial Council supports AB 2322, which requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, upon request, to make a retired judge or court commissioner's home address confidential for the rest of his or her life and for any surviving spouse or child for three years following the death of the judge or court commissioner.

The council believes a change to current law is needed because the existing three-year confidentiality protection is inadequate to ensure the safety of a judicial officer and his or her family. Given the lengthy sentences judges may need to impose for serious or violent felonies, the window in which a convicted person or their friends and family might seek retaliation extends beyond three years. Additionally, judicial officers are generally not trained nor equipped to effectively defend themselves, making them more vulnerable in the event that retaliation occurs.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 2322.

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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Andi Liebenbaum at 916-323-3121.

Sincerely,

Mailed on April 27, 2018

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cc: Members, Senate Public Safety Committee

Hon. Tom F. Daly, Member of the Assembly

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August 22, 2018

Hon. Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Governor of California State Capitol, First Floor Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Assembly Bill 2322 (Daly) – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown:

The Judicial Council respectfully requests your signature on AB 2322, which requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, upon request, to make confidential the home address that appears in a record of the department of an active or retired judge or court commissioner, and the surviving spouse or child of a judge or court commissioner if the judge or court commissioner died in the performance of his or her duties, for the duration of the judge or court commissioner's life and for any surviving spouse or child for three years following the death of the judge or court commissioner.

The council believes a change to current law is needed because the existing three-year confidentiality protection is inadequate to ensure the safety of a judicial officer and his or her family. Given the lengthy sentences judges may need to impose for serious or violent felonies, the window in which a convicted person or their friends and family might seek retaliation extends beyond three years. Additionally, judicial officers are generally not trained nor equipped to effectively defend themselves, making them more vulnerable in the event that retaliation occurs.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council requests your signature on AB 2322.

Hon. Edmund G. Brown, Jr. August 22, 2018 Page 2

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