



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 3, 2017

The Honorable Kevin de León
President pro Tempore
California State Senate
State Capitol Building, Room 205
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Anthony Rendon
Speaker
California State Assembly
State Capitol Building, Room 219
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator de León and Speaker Rendon:

Attorney General Kamala D. Harris was elected to Congress on November 8, 2016 and, on January 3, 2017, resigned her office as Attorney General of the State of California. Pursuant to Government Code section 1770, subdivision (c)(1), this resignation creates an immediate vacancy in the office of the Attorney General of the State of California.

Pursuant to article V, section 5, subdivision (b) of the California Constitution and section 1775 of the California Government Code, I hereby nominate the following person to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term:

Xavier Becerra
Los Angeles, California
United States House of Representatives
California Congressional Representative, 34th District



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Pursuant to section 1775 of the Government Code, the chief deputy to the Attorney General shall discharge the duties of that office until the vacancy is filled.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edmund G. Brown Jr.", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

cc: Senator Bill Monning, Senate Majority Leader
Senator Jean Fuller, Senate Minority Leader
Assemblymember Ian Calderon, Majority Floor Leader
Assemblymember Chad Mayes, Minority Floor Leader
Secretary of the Senate
Senate Rules Committee
Assembly's Special Committee on the Office of the Attorney General