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DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

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RE: DPSFV Supports S. 65

Dear Senator Dianne Feinstein and Senator Alex Padilla,

On behalf of the Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley (DPSFV), we are pleased to report that our Executive Board voted to support S. 65 which ensures that goods made by forced labor in Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China does not enter the United States.

We urge you to please support this important piece of legislation.

DPSFV was founded in 1978 and is chartered by the Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee. Our organization is the coordinating body for a coalition of twenty-one Democratic Clubs located in the six Assembly Districts (38, 39, 43, 45, 46, and 50) which are wholly or partially in the San Fernando Valley.

The DPSFV Political Action Committee met last month to discuss S. 65 and voted to recommend that the DPSFV Executive Board support this vital piece of legislation. The committee noted that many U.S. international and Chinese corporations are complicit in the exploitation of forced labor and these products continue to make their way throughout the world. S. 65 will prohibit all imports from the Xinjian Uyghur Autonomous Region of China unless U.S. Customs and Border Protection can certify they are not produced, either wholly or in part, with forced labor. Furthermore S. 65 will require a strategy report from the Forced Labor Enforcement Task Force and regular updates on the steps taken to enforce the import prohibition on forced labor made goods. Lastly, S. 65 will authorize the President of the United States to apply sanctions on anyone responsible for labor trafficking of Uyghurs and other Muslim ethnic minorities.

We urge you to support S. 65

Please note that DPSFV will be tracking this bill as it travels through the United States Senate. Your voting record will be noted and may be considered should you ever seek our endorsement. Your office is always welcome to contact DPSFV if you have any questions.

Sincerely and respectfully,



Chair Sean M. Rivas
Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley