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**RE: AB 135 (Cervantes & Cooley) Sex crimes: communication with a minor - SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Cervantes,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for AB 135 addressing sex crimes: communication with a minor. SBWPC's mission is dedicated to furthering gender equality and other feminist values through political and social action and educational activities. Our organization is one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with well over 300 members. We advocate for a diverse set of positions which include ending crimes against women (<http://sbwpc.org/positions/>).

SBWPC supports legislation which clarifies and broadens the definitions of crimes against women and programs which hold perpetrators accountable for their crimes. We therefore support the bill's proposed expansion of existing law criminalizing contact or communication with a minor with the intent to commit a list of specified offenses to include human trafficking of the minor.

The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards AB 135 as an important step forward in preventing human trafficking of minors and holding human traffickers responsible for their crimes. **Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of AB 135.**

Thank you for reviewing our organization's position on this issue. Should you wish to communicate further with us, please email us at [info@sbwpc.org](mailto:info@sbwpc.org) or visit our website: [www.sbwpc.org](http://www.sbwpc.org)

Sincerely,

Luz Reyes-Martin, President SBWPC

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