



March 22, 2018

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi  
California State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95630

RE: Oppose AB 2787 (Quirk): Lead Fishing Weight Ban <50 grams

Dear Assembly Member Muratsuchi,

California Yacht Marina owns and operates four marinas in Southern California, including the Port Royal Marina, located in King Harbor (Redondo Beach). Port Royal Marina accommodates 336 permanent boat slips serving recreational vessels. According to our survey of Port Royal Marina boaters, over 70% listed fishing as a significant reason why they keep their vessel in the harbor.

We take pride in being environmentally responsible within the areas we operate marinas. CYM is known as environmental leaders within the marina industry. Our concern with AB 2787 is not with its intent to protect our water habitats but rather with implementing restrictive legislation without a scientific justification. If passed, it will have a negligent impact on the wealthy and unknown for the environment – the hard impact will be on those within our society of modest means that fish for sustenance or as an affordable break from their daily grind.

So, please consider the gravity of your decision carefully and call for a California specific analysis that would justify the merits of this legislation.

Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Ketchum", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kevin Ketchum  
Principal/General Manager

CC: Members of the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Substances