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The Honorable Katcho Achadjian  
Chair, Assembly Local Government Committee  
1020 N Street, Room 157  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: AB 2381 (Bonilla) -- Support**

Dear Assemblymember Achadjian:

On behalf of <Name of organization>, I write in support of AB 2381 which would clarify that state law allows cities and counties to adopt ordinances that would allow private property owners to regulate and enforce parking rules on their properties.

<Name of organization> works with community partners, businesses, and residents to promote and enhance local business vitality. It is important for property owners and their merchant tenants to have the ability to manage their lots so there are adequate numbers of open spaces for customers to park. The City of Walnut Creek has adopted a city ordinance to allow private property owners to meter their lots and enforce time limits on those meters. However, the validity of the Walnut Creek ordinance has been put into question by an Attorney General legal opinion which states that California statute must authorize such an ordinance. This opinion, while not binding, has had the unfortunate consequence of discouraging other cities and counties from adopting ordinances that would benefit their downtown business associations, local merchants, and customers. AB 2381 will provide clarity to the matter by addressing the Attorney General opinion and clearly stating that such ordinances are valid.

<Name of Organization> supports AB 2319 because it provides cities and business owners the tools to better manage parking in privately-owned lots.

Sincerely,

< Name and Position>

cc: Assemblywoman Susan A. Bonilla  
Members, Assembly Local Government Committee