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September 19, 2017

Jason King, P.E. State Engineer Division of Water Resources State of Nevada 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 2002 Carson City, NV 89701

Dear Mr. King,

On behalf of the residents of North Las Vegas, I am writing to express my continued support of the Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) applications for unused groundwater in northeastern Nevada.

Located at the northern tip of the Las Vegas Valley, North Las Vegas is one of Nevada's fastest growing cities and is surrounded by majestic mountains, desert valleys and an underlying current of unprecedented growth. With over 200,000 residents, our city relies on the Colorado River for its water, which places it at risk during drought conditions.

The City of North Las Vegas supports securing the long-term stability of southern Nevada's water supply and believes that the SNWA's use of monitoring, management and mitigation plans will ensure that its groundwater development project can be developed in a safe and responsible manner. By implementing certain thresholds and triggers within its plan, the SNWA can be responsive to any changes in the environment and adequately address any issues or concerns that may arise. Additionally, the SNWA's application of adaptive management will allow for a more responsive and flexible approach in protecting groundwater basins and springs and is a valuable tool in safeguarding our state's precious natural resource.

As a former Nevada Assemblyman, State Senator and lifelong resident of North Las Vegas, I have seen this city grow and flourish to become one of the most dynamic cities in the state. Now, as Mayor, it is my responsibility to ensure that our citizens have a safe, sufficient and reliable water supply for their future. With this in mind, I thank you for considering the SNWA's applications.

Sincerely

City of North-Las Vegas

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