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ITEM NO. F.3

Bill to Protect Beach Bonfires Passes the Assembly Floor

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AB 1102 is moving to the Senate for Consideration

SACRAMENTO, CA- Assembly Bill (AB) 1102 passed the Assembly Floor today with bipartisan support. Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva (D-Fullerton), a joint author of the legislation spoke to the significance of today's vote.

"It is hard to imagine the Orange County Coast without fire rings on the beach, an activity that all can enjoy. While I sympathize with the need to reduce pollution in Orange County, the community must support any action to address this need. We must work collaboratively to protect our beautiful resources."

AB 1102 would protect the Southern California tradition of beach bonfires by requiring the South Coast Air Quality Management District to work with local cities and the California Coastal Commission to ensure that there will be no loss of beach access, no harm to local economies, and that any environmental concerns are addressed before a city can remove the fire rings from the beaches in Orange and Los Angeles counties.

Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva and Assemblymember Travis Allen (R-Huntington Beach) worked collaboratively across party lines to successfully usher the bill to the Assembly Floor for a full vote of the Assembly. AB 1102 now heads to the Senate for its consideration.

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Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva represents the 65th Assembly District, which includes the communities of Buena Park, Cypress, Fullerton, Hawaiian Gardens, La Palma, Stanton, and West Anaheim.

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