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Mr. John D. Hopper, President
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Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Sacramento Police Department and Chief Rick Braziel, I would like to express our appreciation for the efforts and assistance of the California Alarm Association with our recent revision of Chapter 8.36 of the Sacramento City Code concerning alarm systems.

The following individuals maintained liaison and consultation throughout this lengthy process:

Ben Martinez, President, Sacramento Area Alarm Association
Rich Whitlock, Northern Vice President, California Alarm Association
John Sargent, Former President, California Alarm Association

Their combined efforts led to a greatly revised ordinance that we could all support. Both Mr. Sargent and Mr. Whitlock came forward during this lengthy process and voiced their support before our City Council.

The issue and impact of false alarm reduction has never been more important, as law enforcement agencies like us adjust under reduced resources and increasing calls for services. Our agency, for example, is approximately 35% smaller in total staff than we were three years ago.

Through the effective use of proven prevention strategies (such as monitored alarm systems), and continued partnership with the security industry, the Sacramento Police Department believes we can protect our community and your customers, and still preserve police response times to priority calls for service.

The mission of the Sacramento Police Department is to work in partnership with the Community to protect life and property; solve neighborhood problems, and enhance the quality of life in our City.

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Please pass on our thanks to all those involved and let me know if I can be of any assistance to your organization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Maccoun", written in a cursive style.

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