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Supervisor Michelle Steel
c/o Orange County Board of Supervisors
10 Civic Center Plaza
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Dear Supervisor Steel:

I am writing to you today to express my support for your proposed amendment to the Ordinances of the County of Orange regarding the Restraint of Dogs, which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to designate "off-leash" areas for pet dogs.

Many residents in the 74th Assembly District use a strip of land between the cities of Huntington Beach and Newport Beach as a de facto dog beach. Consequently, I believe that your change to current County leash laws and the resolution designating this area as "leash-free" is the best step forward to resolving the concerns of many residents in this area. In addition, Mayor Dixon, Newport Beach City Councilmembers, and the Newport Beach Parks, Beaches, and Recreation Commission, also support your idea.

In short, I enthusiastically support your proposal to amend the County Ordinances to give the Board of Supervisors the authority to designate "off-leash" areas for pet dogs of responsible pet owners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Harper".

Matthew Harper
California State Assemblyman
74th District