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RE: ACWA President – 2022-23 Term

Dear ACWA Member Board Presidents and General Managers:

I am excited and proud to announce my candidacy for the office of President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) for the 2022-2023 term. I am writing to ask for you and your agency's support.

My experience as ACWA Vice President over the past two years, and more than 17 years of experience in local, regional, and statewide water issues, uniquely qualifies me to serve as ACWA President.

I am proud of my accomplishments as ACWA Vice President. Highlights include: creating the highly-successful "Leadership to Leadership" virtual town hall-meetings throughout ACWA's regions; supporting staff and members throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic with programs and other relief activities; actively engaging in ACWA's efforts to shape input to the 2020 California Resiliency Portfolio; and, working with the ACWA Board to adjust its budget and review its 2020 Strategic Plan to reflect COVID-19 impacts.

I am honored to have the support for my candidacy from my home district, the San Juan Water District in Northern California, where I have served on the Board of Directors since 2004, and from the Regional Water Authority / Sacramento Groundwater Authority, where I have also served on the Board and in leadership for 16 years. Additionally, prior to serving as ACWA Vice-President, I had been an active and supportive participant in ACWA -- serving as Chair of ACWA Region 4, as a member of the ACWA Board of Directors, and as a member of the Federal Affairs and Local Government Committees. I currently serve on the ACWA-Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, Executive and Liability Committees.

I am a leader who connects, listens, learns, and works to solve critical issues through collaboration. In addition to my leadership roles in the water policy arena, I bring strong skills in the areas of strategic planning, finance, leadership, and coalition building, forging strong partnerships between the community and the organizations in which I have served. I fully understand, and I am prepared to dedicate the time necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of ACWA President and would dedicate my expertise in water and other personal strengths to support ACWA's mission and priorities in that office.

It is an extremely challenging time in California water as we emerge from COVID-19 into a severe drought, with uncertainty beyond. Navigating these difficulties requires a commitment to seeking collaborative solutions. I believe that ACWA's strength is derived from its members and their dedicated boards and staff who serve the public. I will work to support ACWA's members as we

develop solutions together. I have learned so much about the membership, from north to south, involving urban, rural, and agricultural agencies, and will bring my passion, experience, and skills to the role of ACWA President to help all succeed.

I look forward to connecting with many of you over the next few months. More details regarding my qualifications are provided in the attached document. Additional information is available at this link <https://www.sjwd.org/pam-tobin-for-acwa-president>.

I hope that I can count on your support as I seek the office of ACWA President. A template resolution is also provided here: <https://www.sjwd.org/pam-tobin-for-acwa-president>. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pam', with a large, elegant flourish above the name.

Pamela Tobin

ACWA Vice President

ACWA-JPIA Board of Directors: Executive and Finance Committees

San Juan Water District Board of Directors

SGA Board of Directors

RWA Board of Directors/Executive Committee