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Albany City Council City of Albany 1000 San Pablo Avenue Albany, CA 94706

Re: Proposed Open Container Ordinance

Dear Albany City Council:

It has come to our attention that the City of Albany does not have an open container ordinance within its city code and that such an ordinance is under consideration. We write to voice support for what Mothers Against Drunk Driving-Bay Area Affiliate views as a positive step toward making your community a much safer place to live and work. Drinking in public places within city limits, particularly on sidewalks and streets, may lead to more drunk drivers on the roads endangering the safety of motorists and pedestrians. The proposed ordinance will effectively address the dangers of drinking in public in a very real way.

Please consider the Bay Area MADD Affiliate an advocate for the speedy adoption of the proposed City of Albany open container ordinance.

Sincerely yours,

Natasha M. Thomas Program Coordinator

MADD Bay Area Affiliate

The mission of Mothers Against Drunk Driving is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking.