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Re: SB 390 (Kehoe) Solid waste: recycling market development –
REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), the largest association of solid waste professionals (7,700 members), is committed to advancing the practices of environmentally and economically sound management of municipal solid waste. On behalf of their California Chapters, I am writing to urge your **SIGNATURE** on **SB 390** (Kehoe) regarding the Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program.

SB 390 extends the sunset date from 2012 to 2021 and updates the recycling Market Development Zone Program within the Department of Resources, Recovery and Recycling which is formerly known as the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

The RMDZ Loan Program has been very instrumental to a number of jurisdictions throughout California by establishing industries and markets for recyclables thus assisting in diverting solid waste from landfills. This program provides low-interest loans to businesses and organizations located in a Zone that has been designated by the Waste Board.

If the RMDZ Loan Program were to expire at the end of next year, a large number of jurisdictions would lose a valuable tool for assisting new recycling enterprises.

For these reasons, we support **SB 390** and urge your **SIGNATURE** when it is presented to you for action. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Cc: The Honorable Christine Kehoe