



City of Upland

Mayor's Office

May 26, 2026

The Honorable Lori D. Wilson
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 8110
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: AB 1874 (Wilson) Vehicles: driver's license suspension and revocation
City of Upland – Notice of Support**

Dear Assemblymember Wilson,

I write on behalf of the City of Upland to express the City's support for AB 1874, which strengthens public safety by ensuring that license suspension and revocation periods for serious driving offenses apply after an individual is released from custody.

Under current law, individuals convicted of serious driving offenses, including vehicular manslaughter and other high-risk violations, may effectively serve their license suspension while incarcerated, even though they are not driving and the public safety benefit is limited. AB 1874 corrects this gap by requiring that suspension and revocation periods begin upon release from custody, rather than running concurrently with incarceration. This ensures that license penalties apply when individuals return to the community, making the consequence more meaningful and better protecting public safety at the point it matters most.

This is a practical and necessary reform. License suspensions are intended not only as a punishment, but as a safeguard to ensure individuals demonstrate responsible behavior before regaining the privilege to drive. Allowing that penalty to be served while an individual is not driving undermines its effectiveness and reduces its deterrent value. AB 1874 restores the integrity of the system by aligning consequences with real-world conditions.

For local jurisdictions, this improvement is significant. Cities are directly responsible for maintaining safe roadways and responding to traffic-related incidents. Ensuring that high-risk drivers are subject to meaningful post-release accountability helps reduce repeat offenses, improves compliance with traffic laws, and enhances overall roadway safety for residents, visitors, and first responders in Upland and throughout California.

AB 1874 is a targeted, commonsense update that strengthens existing law without unnecessary complexity. It supports better outcomes within California's transportation and public safety systems while protecting the safety of our communities.

For these reasons, the City of Upland respectfully supports AB 1874.

Sincerely,

Bill Velto,
Mayor, City of Upland