



June 5, 2023

Senate Education Committee  
1021 O Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SUPPORT AB 873 (Berman) — Media Literacy

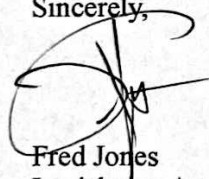
Chair Josh Newman & Members:

Californians for Civic Learning (CCL) is a statewide coalition of civic education providers and thought leaders. Our mission is to act as California's unifying voice for promoting robust civic learning across all grade levels for all students. CCL's vision is to ensure that all Californians are informed, responsible, engaged participants in civic life, exemplifying the ideals and principles of our constitutional democracy.

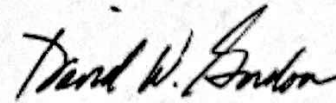
Our leadership team includes Chairman Dave Gordon, Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools; Bill Honig, former State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Fred Jones, Legislative Analyst for California Council for the Social Studies; Les Francis, former Deputy Chief of Staff for President Jimmy Carter; Dan Schnur, Lecturer at UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies and former FPPC Chair; and Elaine Ikeda, Executive Director of LEAD California. Our Coalition includes a number of school superintendents, non-profit civic education organizations, and higher education institutions. <https://ca4civiclearning.org/>

We believe digital citizenship and media literacy are essential elements of an active, informed and engaged citizenry. As such, we SUPPORT AB 873 (Berman), which seeks to embed media literacy content at each grade level.

Sincerely,



Fred Jones  
Legislative Analyst



David W. Gordon, Chair  
Board of Directors

cc: Honorable Mark Berman, author