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# California Resource Recovery Association

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Dear Melinda, NRC Board Members, and ROC leadership,

The voting is over and I'm sure many are disappointed with the outcome. We feel the election process generated tremendous voter turnout, which displayed the passion and interest of the NRC members.

CRRA came out early and strong to oppose this merger because we truly felt this was not the path for the National Recycling Coalition. Recycling needs its own stand-alone organization to forward its goals and help reduce climate change.

It is unfortunate that the NRC has chosen the path of Chapter 7 bankruptcy. We recognize the tough financial decisions that were on your shoulders. We mourn the loss of this 31-year organization, and we recommit our resources toward rebuilding a new organization that can represent us nationally as the "Voice of Recycling". We believe that the NRC membership has the resources to rebuild the NRC – perhaps through a replacement organization.

Going forward, CRRA would like to put our opposition to the KAB proposal behind us and work together with you, the ROC Leadership and NRC members to build a stronger and financially successful organization. CRRA wants to build and expand bridges that will bring recycling to a new national and global level of awareness. We are committed to helping rebuild the NRC through whatever forum appears the best for the membership. Let us know how we can help.

Respectfully,

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