

# California Secretary of State

California Language Accessibility Advisory Committee

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## Memorandum

To: Secretary Weber

From: Members of the Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC)

RE: LAAC Vote to include Arabic and Somali as Covered Languages

Date: May 5, 2021

On April 7, 2021, the Language Access Advisory Committee voted unanimously in favor of a joint proposal made by the Council on American-Islamic Relations - Central Valley (CAIR) in Fresno, Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA) in San Diego, and American Civil Liberties Union of California (ACLU of CA), to include Arabic in Fresno County and Somali in San Diego as Covered Languages under Elections Code Section 14201 and Section 12303.

May there be any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,