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August 31, 2018

Mayor Resnikoff and Members of the City Council
City of Campbell
70 N. First Street
Campbell, CA 95008

Dear Mayor Resnikoff, Vice Mayor Waterman, and Councilmembers Gibbons, Landry, and Cristina:

RE: Potential Formation of a Santa Clara County RHNA Sub Region

On behalf of our members, we write today to voice our support for the Campbell’s participation in the Santa Clara County Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Sub region.

We are in the midst of regional crisis where housing costs are rising faster than incomes and housing demand is outpacing supply by wide margins. Campbell has taken initiative on a number of occasions to prioritize their housing responsibility. Other neighboring cities are also taking actions to plan for more housing growth.

Unfortunately, despite these efforts, local jurisdictions throughout the County are falling drastically behind in meeting their RHNA goals. For this current RHNA cycle, Santa Clara County is tasked with adding a total of 58,836 units to the current housing stock, at various levels of affordability. While many cities are meeting their targets for housing affordable to those with above moderate incomes, we are collectively falling far short of the demand for housing affordable to lower- and moderate-income households.

Given the common struggle in addressing this deficit, we believe that further coordination and cooperation among cities could result in increased affordable housing production throughout the County.

For that reason, we strongly recommend that the City of Campbell agree to participate in a Santa Clara County Regional Housing Needs Allocation Sub region.

Sincerely,

Pilar Lorenzana
Deputy Director