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The Honorable Robert Rivas
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5110
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill 2094 (Rivas) General plan: annual report: extremely low-income housing Support and Co-Sponsorship from All Home

Dear Assemblymember Rivas:

On behalf of All Home, I want to express our strong support and co-sponsorship for Assembly Bill 2094 (Rivas), which will help improve data collection on housing production for homeless and housing-insecure Californians.

All Home is a Bay Area organization that advances regional solutions that will disrupt the cycle of poverty and homelessness, redress the disparities in outcomes as a result of race, and create more opportunity for economic mobility for individuals and families with extremely low incomes (ELI) in the Bay Area.

AB 2094 will increase transparency by requiring local jurisdictions to clarify their progress toward building new units for extremely low-income households as part of existing reporting requirements. Current law states that cities must allocate a certain number of sites for ELI units, which are available to households with incomes of 0-30% of the area average median income (AMI). Right now, cities are required to report their progress on building various levels of low-income housing but are not required to specifically report on the number ELI units.

To be clear, this legislation does not change the housing element nor the RHNA allocation for any jurisdiction. What AB 2094 does is increase transparency by requiring that the form to report annual progress on housing production to HCD adds an additional column to specifically report progress on ELI unit production. In fact, several jurisdictions around the state already track and share data on ELI housing production as part of their efforts to prioritize development of such units, because they know that a severe shortage of homes affordable to ELI households is a major driver of homelessness.

Our research has shown that many people who fall within the extremely low-income category (<30% AMI) in the Bay Area receive no housing subsidies or supports whatsoever, the supply of homes affordable to them is vastly inadequate, and many are just one financial emergency away from

homelessness. AB 2094 provides additional data transparency to ensure that we track and meet our existing commitments to create housing that is affordable at all income levels, understand where gaps exist, and work together to use resources effectively for those who are the most vulnerable to homelessness.

For these reasons we support your legislation and are proud to cosponsor AB 2094.

Sincerely,

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