



March 16, 2022

The Honorable Bob Wieckowski
California State Senate
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SUPPORT Senate Bill 897 (Wieckowski) – Accessory Dwelling Units

Dear Senator Wieckowski,

On behalf of All Home, I am writing in support of SB 897 (Wieckowski). All Home is a Bay Area organization that advances regional solutions to disrupt the cycles of poverty and homelessness and create more economic mobility for people with extremely low incomes. SB 897 will make it easier for homeowners to add Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) to their properties by eliminating remaining barriers to ADU construction.

ADUs have proven to be an innovative solution to providing housing that is affordable by design. As a way to build more homes and provide income for aging homeowners with fixed or low incomes, Undersupply of "Missing Middle" housing, or medium density housing near jobs and transit, is one of the key factors contributing to the displacement and rent burden of Californians across the state. ADUs are a sensible response to these challenges.

SB 897 will, among other things:

- permanently eliminate ADU and junior ADU (JADU) owner-occupant requirements
- eliminate parking requirements for JADUs, and
- provide grant funding for the construction of ADUs.

These provisions are essential for expanding ADU opportunities for homeowners — including low-income homeowners who could greatly benefit from them — and expanding our state's housing supply. For these reasons, we are pleased to support SB 897.

Sincerely,

Tomiquia Moss

Tomiquia Moss, Founder and CEO of All Home