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September 4, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom  
Governor, State of California  
1021 O Street, Suite 9000  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 3093 (Ward) Housing Element Categories – VETO REQUEST**

Dear Governor Gavin Newsom:

On behalf of the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County, I write to respectfully request that you please **VETO AB 3093 (Ward)**, which would create two new income categories in the development of local agency housing elements within the general plans: acutely low income and extremely low income. These two new income categories, along with the existing income categories (very low income, lower income, moderate income, etc.) must be included in a city's future regional housing needs allocation (RHNA).

C/CAG is concerned that AB 3093 has significant policy implications that warrant more time for discussion in the legislative process. This bill may also duplicate local planning efforts because existing law requires cities to analyze the special housing needs of our unhoused residents and assist in developing adequate housing to meet the needs of extremely low-income households. Existing law also currently requires cities to identify sites and encourage the development of a variety of housing, including supportive housing and transitional housing.

C/CAG is supportive of addressing our county's unhoused population by increasing the supply of affordable housing in San Mateo County. Thank you for your consideration and please contact Sean Charpentier, C/CAG Executive Director at [scharpentier@smcgov.org](mailto:scharpentier@smcgov.org) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adam Rak', written over the printed name.

Adam Rak, Chair

City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County