May 7, 2018

The Honorable Cecelia Aguiar-Curry  
Chair, Assembly Local Government  
State Assembly, State Capitol, Room 5144  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 3194 (Daly) Housing Accountability Act – Oppose Unless Amended

Dear Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry:

I am writing on behalf of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors position to oppose AB 3194 (Daly), unless amended, consistent with the California State Association of Counties’ (CSAC) proposed amendments outlined in the joint CSAC/RCRC letter dated May 2nd.

AB 3194 (Daly) will make numerous changes to the Housing Accountability Act (HAA). It would prohibit the County from requiring a rezoning of a project site if the existing zoning ordinance does not allow the maximum residential use, density, and intensity allocable on the site by the land use or housing element of the General Plan.

The Board of Supervisor’s adopted a 2018 Legislative Platform that specifically opposes the preemption of local control of land use policies. However, if the bill is amended to instead allow the developer to use the density specified in the housing element or zoning ordinance for a specific site, whichever is higher, the County would not oppose that change.

For these reasons, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors have adopted an “Oppose Unless Amended” position on AB 3194 (Daly). If you have questions about the Board’s position, please contact the County’s Legislative Coordinator, Dennis Bozanich at 805-568-3403 or dbozanich@countyofsb.org.

Sincerely,

Cliff Berg, Legislative Advocate

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