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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

July 8, 2021

The Honorable Salud Carbajal
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Carbajal:

I am writing on behalf of the County of Santa Barbara in support of funding for housing and community development programs as the House Appropriations Committee drafts the *FY 2022 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations* bill next week.

Enclosed are letters we recently sent to the Committee in support of the highest level of funding possible for the following programs in FY 2022:

- The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program,
- The HOME Investment Partnerships Act program,
- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs – especially the Continuum of Care and Emergency Solutions Grant programs,
- Elderly Housing, and
- Housing for People With AIDS

The County appreciates your strong support for funding for Department of Housing and Urban Development programs during the COVID-19 pandemic, which provided essential assistance to local governments. Please continue to work with your colleagues on the Committee to continue this funding in FY 2022 to aid the economic recovery.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Don Gilchrest
Washington Representative

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Enclosures