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Assembly Member Richard Bloom Room 2003 State Capitol Sacramento, California 95814

SUBJECT: AB 1505 (Bloom) – Notice of Support

In Assembly Local Government Committee - Wednesday,

April 5th

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

APA California supports AB 1505, your measure the would restore the long-standing authority of local governments to require the inclusion of affordable rental units as one component of their local inclusionary housing policies. This is key to restoring what had been law prior to 2009 to increase the availability of affordable housing.

APA suggests that the statutory language in the bill should apply to both rental and for-sale housing to make it clear the law applies to both, and that there be a clear exclusion from the Costa Hawkins Act by adding a "nothwithstanding the provisions of" clause citing the Costa Hawkins Act code section so there is no ambiguity.

For information, please contact Sande George, Stefan/George Associates, APA California's lobbyist, at 443-5301, sgeorge@stefangeorge.com.

Sincerely,

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