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FROM: THE AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION, CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

DATE: APRIL 15, 2019

SUBJECT: **SB 5 – NOTICE OF SUPPORT**
AFFORDABLE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
INVESTMENT PROGRAM
IN SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE – MONDAY APRIL 22ND

The American Planning Association, California Chapter supports SB 5. SB 5 will provide funding for state-approved projects in state-approved redevelopment plans for affordable and workforce housing, transit-oriented development, infill development, revitalizing and restoring neighborhoods and planning for sea level rise.

This revised redevelopment process will provide funding for housing and other projects that are consistent with the state's goals. For housing specifically, without additional funding, there simply is not enough money to finance affordable and in many cases workforce housing in many areas, or the infrastructure to support it. The concept in the bill of a state and local partnership to meet many of the recent state mandates is very welcome. With strong state oversight, it is time for this carefully thought out restoration of tax increment financing.

If you have any questions, please contact our lobbyist, Sande George, with Stefan/George Associates, sgeorge@stefangeorge.com, 916-443-5301.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Eric S. Phillips'.

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cc: Senate Appropriations Committee
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