



August 9, 2023

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Support of the *Housing for All Act*

Dear Senator Padilla:

As mayors of the biggest cities in California, we are proud to support your legislation, the *Housing for All Act of 2023*, which would provide desperately needed federal resources to bolster more affordable housing development and reduce homelessness.

The *Housing for All Act* expands existing programs, like the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Housing Choice Vouchers and the National Housing Trust Fund. These programs have a proven track-record of reducing homelessness throughout the country. It invests in low-income housing, housing assistance, emergency shelters, and addresses long term solutions for those in the greatest need. The wide scope of programs addressed by the *Housing for All Act* directly supports improved access to affordable housing throughout our state and supports local strategies that are working to get people off the streets and into permanent housing.

Specifically, by authorizing significant new funding by funding millions of new vouchers to help address unsheltered homelessness our communities, the federal government would be fulfilling the role local governments need it to play in order to meet the needs of thousands of people struggling to get and stay housed.

On behalf of the California Big City Mayors coalition, we thank you for your continued leadership in addressing our housing affordability and homelessness

crises. We hope this bill can be passed and signed into law expeditiously and are proud to offer our strong support.

Sincerely,



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