September 5, 2019

The Honorable Nancy Skinner
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5094
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 330 (Skinner): Housing Crisis Act of 2019
As Amended August 12, 2019 – Neutral

Dear Senator Skinner:

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and the Urban Counties of California (UCC) are removing our opposition to your SB 330, which would enact the “Housing Crisis Act of 2019.”

We appreciate your willingness to work with us to address our most significant concerns with the measure. Specifically, the August 12 amendments amend the definition of “affected county” so that SB 330 would only apply to a census designated place that is wholly located within the boundaries of an urbanized area. This language is more precise and will better delineate more urbanized areas and less-developed areas. We also appreciate your commitment to write a letter to the Senate Journal stating that it is your intent that future legislatures consider the impacts to multi-phase projects being built over a period longer than the 5 years SB 330 would be in effect if the sunset date is to be extended.

CSAC and UCC are committed to partnering with the Legislature and Administration to find policy and fiscal solutions that result in the development of housing affordable to Californians at all income levels, and we sincerely hope SB 330 as amended on August 12 will help the state of California build much needed housing affordable at all income levels.

Again, thank you for working with us. Should you have any questions about our neutral position on this measure, please do not hesitate to contact Christopher Lee (CSAC) at 916-327-7500 or clee@counties.org, or Jean Hurst (UCC) at 916-272-0010 or jkh@hbeadvocacy.com.

Sincerely,

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