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**VIA Online Portal to Author and Senate Committee on Appropriations**

The Honorable Marc Levine  
California State Assembly  
1021 O Street Suite 5240  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1445 (Levine) – Planning and Zoning: Regional Housing Need Allocation: Climate Change Impacts - SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Levine:

**The League of Women Voters of California writes to support AB 1445.** Existing law requires that appropriate government entities develop a regional housing plan and housing allocations. In doing so, several factors are considered. AB 1445 would add to those factors the need to consider emergency evacuation routes, wildfire risk, sea level rise, and other climate impacts.

The League supports actions and policies to adapt to climate change. Sea level rise and wildfire are two key threats to land structures of any kind. We must stop developing housing or other structures in areas that will be literally under water from sea level rise in the decades to come. Similarly, consideration of fire threat, and the need for evacuation routes, particularly in rural areas or the Wildfire Urban Interface, is important in housing decisions. Not doing so can result in tragic loss of life and property.

**The League of Women Voters of California strongly supports AB 1445, as an important step toward the need to consider sea level rise, wildfire, and other climate impacts in all development.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carol Moon Goldberg". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Carol Moon Goldberg  
President