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Re: **Group Housing Special Use District** (File # 211300) for the Tenderloin and Chinatown

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a member of SF Tenants Union, I urge you to **support Supervisor Peskin's legislation to implement a Special Use District (SUD) for the Tenderloin and Chinatown** on the BOS June 28, 2022 meeting agenda..

The purpose of the SUD is to encourage housing diversity and bring dwelling units to a community that has historically lacked adequate space and amenities. The Tenderloin and Chinatown communities continue to have the highest concentration of low-income families in San Francisco, many of whom reside in SROs. In fact, these two neighborhoods contain most of the city's SROs and group housing.

Tenderloin residents have spoken out loud and clear that the need of the city's densest neighborhood is not for more group housing, but affordable family size dwelling units to address issues of overcrowding, foster permanence, and provide the opportunity to thrive.

Group housing—defined by its lack of complete cooking and food storage amenities—perpetuates food insecurity in neighborhoods like the Tenderloin and Chinatown, where many housing units lack access to full kitchens. Without access to adequate cooking facilities and prep space residents cannot store fresh foods or cook their meals at home, and instead have to depend on more expensive prepared meals or less healthy processed foods, furthering the income inequality and public health concerns in these neighborhoods.

The Planning Department, informs us that group housing units, which cater to temporary residents, have the highest rate of turnover.

Both the Tenderloin and Chinatown are in desperate need of stable and adequate housing for their residents. **Please support the zoning amendments to address inequities in access to adequate housing, that's affordable to working families.**

Sincerely,

Anastasia Yovanopoulos

Member of SF Tenants Union and Race & Equity in All Planning Coalition