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Supervisor Connie Chan (via email: chanstaff@sfgov.org)

Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Re: File 220631 Proposed Charter Amendment – Affordable Housing Production Act

Dear Supervisor,

The San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council is pleased to support the Affordable Housing Production Act (AHPA). We commend Supervisor Chan for putting together this ambitious measure linking strong labor standards and increased affordable housing set-asides to faster housing approvals throughout San Francisco.

The San Francisco Building & Construction Trades Council represents 32 construction and trades unions who build power for workers in our city. From apprenticeship preparation to retirement, we represent the hardworking people who build our city. Our work is anchored in making sure everyone who works for a living has family-supporting wages, safe working conditions, affordable healthcare, and the ability to retire with dignity.

AHPA is an important step toward addressing San Francisco's housing affordability crisis and its economic recovery that prepares San Francisco for its next chapter of growth. It links guaranteed rapid approval to more affordable units for San Francisco's working families alongside labor standards that ensure the projects are built by skilled and trained journey-level workers and apprentices earning fair wages with health and retirement benefits standards. AHPA also eliminating obstacles to building 100% affordable and educator housing and will help bring affordable housing to all parts of the City. Finally, it will create accountability and transparency in San Francisco's housing budget and annual progress reports from City departments and Mayor on the implementation of the year's affordable housing goals.

The Council is proud to support legislation that supports our members and indeed construction workers throughout San Francisco. We urge you send this to November's ballot.

Sincerely,

Rudy Gonzalez

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