September 20, 2017

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: SB 2, SB 3, SB 35, SB 167, AB 678, & AB 1515 – Support

Dear Governor Brown,

We, the sf.citi Board of Directors, strongly support the “housing package” of bills, including SB 2, SB 3, SB 35, SB 167, AB 678, and AB 1515, and urge you to sign them into law.

California faces the most severe housing crisis in its history, and this “housing package” of bills represents a strong commitment to addressing California’s housing shortage. SB 167, AB 678, and AB 1515 will breathe new life into the Housing Accountability Act and bring localities into compliance, while SB 35 compels local governments to approve proposed housing developments that comply with their own rules, if they are deficient in home building. Further, SB 2 and SB 3 provide badly needed resources to combat homelessness, plan for housing growth at the local level, and fund construction of housing for low-income Californians.

The future economic health of our state and well-being of our residents depends on tackling our housing crisis now. Ending the housing shortage requires a complex solution and we are dedicated to working together to bring this solution into fruition. We commend you for your leadership and ask that you set our state on the path to address our severe housing shortage by sending these bills into law.

Sincerely,

The sf.citi Board of Directors

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