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Gustavo Velasquez, Director
California Department of Housing and Community Development
2020 W. El Camino Avenue, Suite 500
Sacramento, CA 95833

Dear Director Velasquez,

As Mayor of Emeryville, I am pleased to provide this letter of support for Resources for Community Development's application for the FY2021-2022 Infill Infrastructure Grant Program – 2019 ("IIG-2019") in support of the capital improvements associated with the Nellie Hannon Gateway project, an infill housing development located at 3600, 3610 and 3620 San Pablo Avenue, Emeryville, California, 94608, within Alameda County.

The Nellie Hannon Gateway project is a seven-story development with 90 units and approximately 4,600 square feet of commercial space for the Emeryville Citizens Assistance Program to continue providing food distribution for low-income residents. All of the units will be affordable to extremely low and low-income households (i.e. 30-60% of Area Median Income), and at least 25% of the units will be reserved for formerly homeless households that include a member living with severe mental illness.

In 2019, the City provided Resources for Community Development with a \$2 million acquisition loan to secure the project site, and in 2021, the City Council committed an additional \$14,747,486 to support the construction of the affordable housing units. The City is proud to present a strong local financial contribution, totaling \$16,747,486, in support of the Nellie Hannon Gateway project. Our local commitment will not only go a long way to leverage this funding application for IIG funds, but also to leverage the funding already secured from the State from the No Place Like Home and Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs.

The City of Emeryville is supportive of the development of affordable housing and believes the Emeryville community at large will benefit greatly from the IIG support for infrastructure improvements on San Pablo Avenue. Therefore, we respectfully request that you support the application for IIG funds for the Nellie Hannon Gateway project.

Sincerely,

Mayor John Bauters

Exhibit A