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Dear Supervisor Breed,

On behalf of the San Francisco Housing Action Coalition (SFHAC), I’d like to commend you on your appointments of Supervisors Mark Farrell, Aaron Peskin, and Katy Tang to the Land Use Committee. Each member brings a unique and diverse perspective to this important body. They are dedicated public servants who have a wide array of expertise in San Francisco land use policy and home creation. Their collective experiences will help ensure smart solutions move forward to address the city’s affordability and displacement crisis due to a shortage of homes.

We know all too well that the high costs of renting and owning a home in San Francisco, and the Bay Area, threatens the region’s diversity, economy and even environmental resiliency. This is largely due to decades of failing to create sufficient homes, particularly near major job and transit centers. Meanwhile, California has minimal resources to fund subsidized affordable housing for low-income individuals and families.

San Francisco can and should be a leader in forming solutions that address this immense challenge. SFHAC is confident the newly appointed members of the Land Use Committee can help form pragmatic legislation that creates more housing opportunities for our residents, especially those in the lower- to middle-income ranges.

SFHAC looks forward to working with Supervisors Farrell, Peskin, and Tang in their new capacities. Thank you for your leadership.

Sincerely,

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