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March 26, 2024

Mayor Matt Mohan

and San Jose City Council

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Dear Mayor Mahan and Honorable City Council

On behalf of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Central Coast, please accept this letter of support for the development of 525 North Capitol Avenue located in East side San Jose.

The mission of State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Central Coast is to promote the quality of supports and services for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disability so they can live fully in their community with maximum independence, while remaining healthy and safe. California's Lanterman Act guarantees people with developmental disabilities the services which they need to live successfully in community housing.

Supporting the development at 525 N Capitol Avenue will directly address the root causes of homelessness and set a foundation for sustainable community growth. This development is crucial for households that include members with developmental disabilities, who are disproportionately impacted by the scarcity of accessible and affordable housing options. It will open up doors for people who have developmental disabilities by offering 10 set-aside units along with supportive, on-site resident services.

An overwhelming majority of our lowest-income families spend more than half of their income on housing expenses and/or live in unsuitable living conditions because of the lack of affordable housing. Consequently, housing continues to be one of the single greatest barriers to the ability of San Jose residents, particularly in East San Jose with developmental disabilities to remain in the community where they grew up and have family, friends, and an active support network.

State Council of Developmental Disabilities urges the City of San Jose to act upon advancing housing opportunities for vulnerable populations, fighting against homelessness, and helping those with disabilities have a home in their community.

Thank you for your commitment in addressing the urgent need for affordable and inclusive housing in our community.

Sincerely,
David Grady, Central Coast Regional Manager
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"The Council advocates, promotes & implements policies and practices that achieve self-determination, independence, productivity & inclusion in all aspects of community life for Californians with developmental disabilities and their families."