



July XX, 2021

Governor Gavin Newsom
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Dear Governor Newsom,

On behalf of United Neighbors, a coalition of neighborhood groups representing tens of thousands of single-family homeowners and renters across California, we wish to express our staunch opposition to SB 9 & SB 10, and SB 478.

As a coalition we represent every socioeconomic group that makes up California; white collar, blue collar, communities of color, equestrian communities, estate communities, mom and pop apartment owners and renters. We understand the uniqueness of our neighborhoods and their individual challenges, and we are united in the belief that there are solutions to our current affordable housing crisis that will not end single-family neighborhoods and will not cause displacement in working class communities.

While we have had an affordable housing crisis for some time, the 2011 curtailment of over \$1B from redevelopment agencies annually, has accelerated this crisis. This loss of funding has derailed the ability of cities to finance the construction of new affordable housing and increased California's housing shortage. Cities are left with incentivizing private developers to build affordable housing which produces, far too few units to be impactful in our current crisis. Perhaps as Governor, you might convene a working group, comprised of all stakeholders in the State to come up with effective solutions that will work for all Californians without destroying our neighborhoods and stress our existing resources? United Neighbors formed its own Vision group that welcomes the opportunity to collaborate with you and others to identify and implement effective solutions.

In closing, SB 9 & SB 10 are commodification bills that will stress our infrastructure and further encourage international and institutional investors to buy up properties, outbidding, regular Californians, and driving home prices to new, even more unaffordable levels without producing any new affordable housing. This is an unacceptable result.

We have much better options than destroying neighborhoods to create affordable housing, and we have identified several in the United Neighbors Vision Study (enclosed herewith). There are **numerous** parcels of under-utilized commercial and state-owned properties that could be developed with the quantity of housing needed to end our affordable housing crisis. These are parcels where our environment, infrastructure and high fire areas are not impacted.

SB 9, SB10 and SB 478 take us in the wrong direction. Our coalition urges you to VETO these bills should they reach your desk. We can and must do better for all of Californians, and not allow monied special interests to hijack our state's housing policy.

Very truly yours

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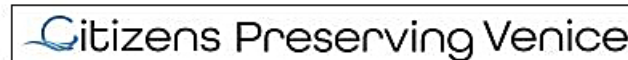
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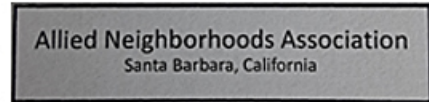
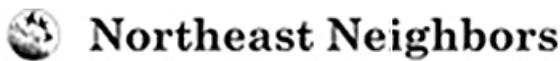
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San José Organizations in Opposition



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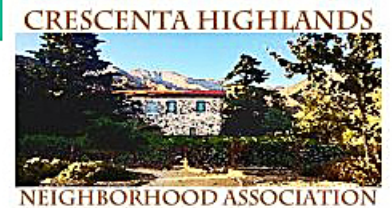
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LAFAYETTE HOMEOWNERS COUNCIL





Adams Hill Neighborhood Association (Glendale)

Baldwin Hills Estates Homeowners Association

Brentwood Homeowners Association

Brookside Homeowners Association

Burton Valley Neighborhood Group- Lafayette

Communities UnitedCD7

Century Glen Homeowners Association

Chevy Chase Estates Association

Citizens Preserving Venice

*Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods

Coalition to Save Ocean Beach

Comstock Hills Homeowners Association

Country Club Park

Crenshaw Manor Community Association

Cresenta Highlands Neighborhood Association

Cresenta Valley Community Association

Culver City Neighbors United

Doheny Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association

Elmhurst Neighborhood Association (Sacramento)

Encinitas Neighborhood Group

Fairfax Hills

Families and Homes San Jose

Franklin Corridor Communities

Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Association

Freemont Place Association

Friends of Sunset Park

Friends of Sutro Park (San Francisco)



Grayburn Ave Club- South LA
Hancock Park Homeowners Association
Hidden Hills Homeowners Association
Hilltop Neighborhood Association
Hills 2000 Friends of the Hills- Los Altos
Hillside Neighborhood Association
Hollywood Knolls Community Club
Hollywoodland Homeowners Association
Homeowners of Encino
Hyde Park Organization Partnership for Empowerment
La Brea Hancock Homeowners Association
Ladera Heights Civic Association
Lake Hollywood Homeowners Association
*Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association
Land Park (Sacramento)
Larchmont Village Neighborhood Association
Laurel Canyon (We are Laurel Canyon)
Los Feliz Improvement Association
Lower Hastings Ranch Association
Mangan Park Neighborhood Association (Sacramento)
Mid-City Santa Monica
Miracle Mile Residential Association
Montecito Association
Montrose/Verdugo City/Sparr Heights Neighborhood Assoc.
Neighbors for a Better San Diego
New Horizons S. Bay Association
North of Montana Neighborhood Association
Northwest Glendale Homeowners Association



North Westdale Neighborhood Association

Old Agoura Hills

Old Torrance Neighborhood Association

*Ontera Hillside Alliance (Eagle Rock)

Protect San Pedro Mountain

Palo Alto Neighborhood Association

College Terrace Neighborhood Association

Residents Cross City Safety & Sanity (RXSS Santa Monica)

Ridgewood Wilton Homeowners Association

Riviera Homeowners Association (Torrance)

Royal Canyon Property Owners Association (Glendale)

South Cathay Neighborhood Association

South Shores Community Association- San Pedro

Save Lafayette (Bay area- Walnut Creek)

Save Oaks Savanna

Seaside Neighborhood Association (Torrance)

Shadow Hills Property Owners Association (Foothills)

Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association

Sherwood Town Homes

South Mar Vista Neighborhood Association

Southeast Torrance Homeowners Association

Southwood Homeowners Association

Southwood Riviera Homeowners Association (Torrance)

Southwood Sunray

Spaulding Square Neighborhood Association

St Andrews Square Neighborhood Association

Studio City Residents Association

Sullivan Canyon Property Owners Association



Sunset Square Neighborhood Organization
Sutro Ave Block Club (Southeast Leimert Park)
Tarzana Property Owners
Temecula Valley Neighborhood Coalition
Toluca Lake Homeowners Association
United Homeowners' Association (View Park, Windsor Hills, View Heights)
Upper Curson Neighborhood Association
Upper Nichols Neighborhood Association
Valley Village Residents Association
Verdugo Hills Residents
Verdugo Woodlands West Homeowners Association
West Mar Vista Residents Association
West Toluca Lake Residents Association
Westwood South Of Santa Monica Homeowners Association
Westwood Hills Property Owners Association
Westwood Homeowners Association
Willow Glen Neighborhood Association - San Jose
Wilshire Vista Neighborhood Association
Wilshire Park Association
Wilshire Village
Windsor Square Association
Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization