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Subject: Orange Coast League of Women Voters & agenda 26

Please find enclosed a letter from the League of Women Voters of Orange Coast, with many members as residents of Huntington Beach.

This letter addresses concerns regarding Agenda Item 26 at the next Council meeting.

Thank You

Diane Nied

LWVOC Housing/homelessness Action Team

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: # 26(23-172)



February 18, 2023

To: Huntington Beach Mayor Strickland and City Council Members

From: League of Women Voters of Orange Coast

RE: February 21, 2023 City Council Meeting Agenda Item 26

The League of Women Voters position on housing and meeting basic human needs, states: "League supports measures to provide State programs to increase the supply of safe, decent, and adequate housing for all Californians. And supports action at all levels of government for the provision of affordable housing for all Californians."

The League specifically supported SB 9. The statement from the California State League of Women Voters, on the bill's website, is as follows:

<https://focus.senate.ca.gov/sb9#support>

"We urgently need SB 9 to increase affordable housing supply in high-opportunity neighborhoods. Too many Californians – especially first-time homebuyers, low- and middle-income workers, and people of color – are locked out of the housing market because of exclusionary zoning that favors high-income households. SB 9 will empower local communities to build more middle-income housing and make the dream of homeownership a reality for more Californians."

Aliso Viejo, Capistrano Beach, Costa Mesa, Dana Point, Lake Forest, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Mission Viejo, Newport Beach, Rancho Santa Margarita, San Clemente, San Juan Capistrano, Seal Beach

Our Orange Coast members, many living in Huntington Beach, support actions to provide affordable housing, to reduce or eliminate the number of sheltered or unsheltered residents, and provide needed rental housing.

Benefits from Senate Bill 9:

- *The California Housing Opportunity and More Efficiency (HOME) Act streamlines the process for a homeowner to create a duplex or subdivide an existing lot.*
- *This legislation will provide access to more rental and ownership options for working families who would otherwise be priced out of neighborhoods.*
- *The provisions of the Home Act would allow homeowners to choose to build a duplex on a single family lot, or if the lot is of sufficient size, to subdivide the lot into two lots and build a duplex on each lot.*
- *Accessory Dwelling Units allow multigenerational families to thrive together.*

*Therefore, the League of Women Voters of Orange Coast **opposes the proposed action** by the Huntington Beach City Council to direct the city attorney to take any legal action necessary to challenge SB 9 and SB 10. SB 10 has already been declined by the city, as allowed by the act itself.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Executive Committee

League of Women Voters Orange Coast