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August 30, 2017

Cameron Smyth

Mayor

The Honorable Richard Roth

California State Senate, District 31 State Capitol Building, Room 4034

Sacramento, CA 95814

Laurene Weste Mayor Pro Tem

SUBJECT: SB 540 (ROTH): SUPPORT

Dear Senator Roth:

Bob Kellar Councilmember

The City of Santa Clarita is pleased to support SB 540, which would establish the Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone.

Marsha McLean Councilmember

On August 22, 2017, the Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support SB 540. As you know, this bill proposes to streamline the approval for specific residential developments and offers a no-interest loan program to support local efforts to develop a workforce housing zone.

Bill Miranda Councilmember

SB 540 is an exceptional example of legislation that provides an opportunity for cities to streamline specific residential developments without compromising local control over land-use decisions. We appreciate your efforts to respect local land use authority.

Should you or your staff require any further information regarding the Santa Clarita City Council's position of this bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental Relations Manager Michael P. Murphy at (661) 255-4384 or mmurphy@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

Cameron Smyth

Mayor

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