



April 13, 2026

The Honorable Aisha Wahab
Senate Housing Committee Chair
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4032
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – AB 1070 (Ward)

Dear Chair Wahab and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Council of Infill Builders (CIB), a co-sponsor of AB 1070, I write to express our support for this important measure.

While California has made significant progress advancing infill housing through zoning and streamlining reforms, the building code framework has not kept pace. Today, small multifamily projects with three or more units are generally required to comply with commercial building standards, regardless of their size or complexity. This creates unnecessary costs and barriers for “missing middle” housing such as duplexes, fourplexes, and small apartment buildings.

AB 1070 takes a measured approach by directing the state to evaluate whether the California Residential Code can be appropriately applied to small multifamily buildings of up to ten units. Aligning building codes with modern housing policy has the potential to reduce costs, simplify delivery, and expand the feasibility of small-scale, attainable housing—while maintaining safety standards.

For these reasons, we strongly support AB 1070. Thank you for your leadership and for considering our support.

Sincerely,

Meea Kang

Chairman of the Board