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The Honorable Senator Susan Rubio
1021 O Street, Suite #8710
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 20 (Rubio) Regional Housing Trusts: State Framework – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Rubio:

On behalf of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, I am writing to express support for your bill, SB 20 (Rubio), establishing a state framework for regional housing trusts.

Humboldt County and several of its cities have been exploring the establishment of a regional housing trust to receive public and private funds as a proven solution to help finance affordable housing projects for homeless, low and very low-income populations. While previous regional housing trusts have been established piecemeal through special legislation, SB 20 will establish statewide standards and best practices for regional housing trusts that will allow communities like ours to form a regional housing trust without the hurdle of special legislation.

Humboldt County supports enhancing regional collaboration and efforts to increase affordable housing by partnering with cities in areas near employment, services and public transit. We are pleased to support SB 20 and thank you for authoring this very important legislation.

Sincerely,

Steve Madrone, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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cc: The Honorable Senator Mike McGuire
 The Honorable Assemblymember Jim Wood
 California State Association of Counties
 Rural County Representatives of California
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